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Dear Sirs

**Application for the removal of condition 5 of application reference 2020/1446/L in relation to the Drinking Fountain, formerly located at Princes Circus**

Applications for listed building consent and planning permission for the dismantling and relocation of the grade II listed Princes Circus Drinking Fountain were approved in February 2021.

Condition 5 of the Listed Building Consent decision notice requested:

*The water fountain shall be provided with a connection to the water mains in accordance with a method statement to be submitted and approved in writing by the local planning authority prior to its re-installation. The relevant part of the works shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with the details thus approved.*

This condition was the subject of discussion during the course of the original application because of the genuine impracticalities and health and safety concerns connected to the drinking fountain and the incompatibility of providing flowing water within the approved public realm works for the area immediately to the west of the Shaftesbury Theatre as part of the West End Project. Following determination, an application to remove the condition was made and subsequently withdrawn. Genuine attempts have been made to provide a full connection to the water main and although this has been achieved in part, the final connection has not proved possible. A Discharge of Condition application was made in respect of Condition 5 and has since been withdrawn. We are therefore applying to remove this condition so that the fountain can be re-erected as per the original listed building consent. The justification for the removal of this condition is set out in the accompanying statement. The accompanying drawing details the extent of pipework provided to date.

Yours faithfully

Kate Graham  
Director