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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Full Planning Permission Granted

Address:
76 Southampton Row
London
WC1B 4AR

Proposal:
Installation of new timber shopfront on front elevation.
Drawing Nos: 23113/EX-02, 23113/P02 rev A, Location Plan, Design and Access Statement

The Council has considered your application and decided to grant permission subject to the following condition(s):

Condition(s) and Reason(s):

- 1 The development hereby permitted must be begun not later than the end of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: In order to comply with the provisions of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

- 2 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans:

23113/EX-02, 23113/P02 rev A, Location Plan, Design and Access Statement

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interest of proper planning.

- 3 All new external work shall be carried out in materials that resemble, as closely as possible, in colour and texture those of the existing building, unless otherwise specified in the approved application.

Reason: To safeguard the appearance of the premises and the character of the immediate area in accordance with the requirements of policy D1 and D2 of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

Informative(s):

- 1 Reasons for granting permission.

The host building known as Bristol House, which is noted as a positive contributor in the Conservation Area appraisal, is a highly decorated late Victorian building with ground floor shopfronts fronting Southampton Row. All of the original shopfronts have been lost over time, with many featuring unsympathetic modern designs and materials. The proposed shopfront replacement features a sympathetic and historic design utilising timber framed windows and doors, historic detailing along the stall riser, and appropriate amounts of glazing. Therefore, it is considered that the proposed shopfront will help conserve and enhance the historic character of the positive contributing host building as well as the wider Conservation Area.

Although the orientation of the entrance doors will change from one set of double doors in the middle to two separate doors at either end of the shopfront, it is not considered that the alteration would harm the historic interest of the host building nor harm the wider Conservation Area.

Special attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the Bloomsbury Conservation Area, under s.72 of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Area Act 1990 as amended by the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013.

Given the scale and scope of the proposed works, they are not anticipated to have any impact on the amenity of any neighbouring residential occupier with regards to loss of light, outlook, or privacy.

The Bloomsbury CAAC initially objected to the proposal on the grounds that the design and materials were not appropriate for use on the historic building or within the wider Conservation Area. The revised proposal, utilising a historic design and timber materials, is considered to have satisfactorily addressed the Bloomsbury CAAC's concerns and objection. The planning history of the site has been taken into account when coming to this decision.

As such, the proposed development is in general accordance with Policies A1, D1, D2, and D3 of the Camden Local Plan 2017. The proposed development also accords with the London Plan 2021 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2023.

- 2 Your proposals may be subject to control under the Building Regulations and/or the London Buildings Acts that cover aspects including fire and emergency escape, access and facilities for people with disabilities and sound insulation between dwellings. You are advised to consult the Council's Building Control Service, Camden Town Hall, Judd St, Kings Cross, London NW1 2QS (tel: 020-7974 6941).
- 3 This approval does not authorise the use of the public highway. Any requirement to use the public highway, such as for hoardings, temporary road closures and suspension of parking bays, will be subject to approval of relevant licence from the Council's Streetworks Authorisations & Compliance Team, 5 Pancras Square c/o Town Hall, Judd Street London WC1H 9JE (Tel. No 020 7974 4444). Licences and authorisations need to be sought in advance of proposed works. Where development is subject to a Construction Management Plan (through a requirement in a S106 agreement), no licence or authorisation will be granted until the Construction Management Plan is approved by the Council.
- 4 All works should be conducted in accordance with the Camden Minimum Requirements - a copy is available on the Council's website (search for 'Camden Minimum Requirements' at www.camden.gov.uk) or contact the Council's Noise and Licensing Enforcement Team, 5 Pancras Square c/o Town Hall, Judd Street London WC1H 9JE (Tel. No. 020 7974 4444)

Noise from demolition and construction works is subject to control under the Control of Pollution Act 1974. You must carry out any building works that can be heard at the boundary of the site only between 08.00 and 18.00 hours Monday to Friday and 08.00 to 13.00 on Saturday and not at all on Sundays and Public Holidays. You must secure the approval of the Council's Noise and Licensing Enforcement Team prior to undertaking such activities outside these hours.

In dealing with the application, the Council has sought to work with the applicant in a positive and proactive way in accordance with paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021.

You can find advice about your rights of appeal at:

<https://www.gov.uk/appeal-planning-decision>.

If you submit an appeal against this decision you are now eligible to use the new [submission form](#) (Before you start - Appeal a planning decision - GOV.UK).

Yours faithfully



Daniel Pope
Chief Planning Officer