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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Full Planning Permission Refused

Address:

Tower Court
Ambassadors Theatre and St Martins Theatre
West Street
London
WC2H 9ND

Proposal:

Fixing of 12 x eyelet anchors on Tower Court elevations of Ambassadors Theatre and St Martin's Theatre, and suspension of festoon lighting across Tower Court.

Drawing Nos: 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-EX-0300; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-EX-0200; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-EX-0100; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0300; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0200; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0100; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0010; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-EX-0320; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0500; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0320; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-EX-0100; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0010; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-EX-0320; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-EX-0300; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-EX-0200; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0300; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0200; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0100; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0500; 564-PWL-ZZ-ZZ-DR-A-PL-0320; Cover letter prepared by Pawlik + Wiedmer dated 16/10/2023; Design, Access & Heritage Statement prepared by Pawlik + Wiedmer dated October 2023

The Council has considered your application and decided to **refuse** planning permission for the following reason(s):

Reason(s) for Refusal

- 1 The proposed festoon lighting, by reason of its decorative nature located in a quieter side street between the two grade 2 listed buildings and illumination of their subordinate flank walls, would present an overdominant and discordant feature causing harm to the special architectural and historic significance of The Ambassador's Theatre and St Martin's Theatre, and the character and appearance of Tower Court and Bloomsbury Conservation Area, contrary to Policies D1 (Design) and D2 (Heritage) of the Camden Local Plan 2017.

Informative(s):

- 1 If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must notify the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate (inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details are on GOV.UK.

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