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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

Listed Building Consent Granted

Address:
National Hospital For Neurology And Neurosurgery
Queen Square
London
WC1N 3BG

Proposal: Internal and external alterations to basement, ground floor and second floor level associated with wider electrical infrastructure upgrade; including installation of substation and external condenser units.

Drawing Nos: Planning Statement dated 28th November 2023; Environmental Noise Survey and Plant Noise Assessment Report dated 19th December 2023; Heritage Appraisal dated November 2023; Stage 0 & 1 Feasibility of Generator & Substation Report dated 23rd November 2023; Design and Access Statement dated 22nd November 2023; Statement of Clinical Need dated 26th October 2023; 5829-MAA-ZZ-ZZ-PL-A-002-S3-P01 Rev P01; 5829-MAA-ZZ-ZZ-PL-A-003-S3-P01 Rev 01; 5829-MAA-ZZ-FC-PL-A-010-S3-P01 Rev P01; 5829-MAA-ZZ-00-PL-A-081-S3-P01 Rev P01; 5829-MAA-ZZ-02-PL-A-101-S3-P01 Rev P01; 5829-MAA-SS-B1-PL-A-041-S3-P01 Rev P01; 5829-MAA-SS-SC-PL-A-061-S3-P01 Rev P01; 5829-MAA-AW-B1-PL-A-042-S3-P02 Rev P02; 5829-MAA-AW-SC-PL-A-062-S3-P01 Rev P02; 5829-MAA-CW-B1-PL-A-043-S3-P01 Rev P01; 5829-MAA-CW-SC-PL-A-063-S3-P01 Rev P01

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

Conditions And Reasons:

- 1 The works hereby permitted shall be begun not later than the end of three years from the date of this consent.

Reason: In order to comply with the provisions of Section 18 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

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

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Reason: In order to safeguard the special architectural and historic interest of the building in accordance with the requirements of policy D2 of the Camden Local Plan 2017.

- 3 All new work and work of making good shall be carried out to match the existing adjacent work as closely as possible in materials and detailed execution.

Reason: In order to safeguard the special architectural and historic interest of the building in accordance with the requirements of policy D2 of the Camden Local Plan 2017.

Informative(s):

- 1 A proposal is sought to facilitate the upgrade of electrical infrastructure of the hospital. This seeks to install 4 condenser units to the external façade of the Chandler Wing, along with infilling one door and window and changing one door into a single window with double glazing. Amendments to the Albany wing consist of 3 condenser units within a lightwell, a window being converted into a fire door, infill of one window, amendments to a first floor flat roof to provide an access hatch and amendments for cable ducts. Internal alterations have been proposed to the basements of both wings including the fitting of a substation inside the Albany wing.

The proposal does include the removal of some historical fabric however the proposed works are considered to preserve the significance of the Grade II listed building and its internal features. No objection is raised by the Council's conservation officer.

In line with statement 208 of the NPPF the public benefits accrued by the more efficient functioning of the hospital are considered to out-weigh the harm to the existing arrangement and the alterations to the lower façade.

Overall, as such the proposed alterations are not considered to be detrimental to the character of the building or that of the wider conservation area. The Bloomsbury CAAC was consulted and raised no objections.

Special regard has been attached to the desirability of preserving the listed building, its setting and its features of special architectural or historic interest, under s.16 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 as amended by the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013.

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

- 2 You are advised that any works of alterations or upgrading not included on the approved drawings which are required to satisfy Building Regulations or Fire Certification may require a further application for listed building consent.

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 2023.

You can find advice about your rights of appeal at:

<http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent>

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DPope', is written over a light blue rectangular background.

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Chief Planning Officer