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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007

Advertisement Consent Refused and Warning of Prosecution Action to be Taken

Address:
University Of London Birkbeck College
Malet Street
London
WC1E 7HX

Proposal:
Display of 9 x banners around the site (retrospective).

Drawing Nos:
BBK-EXT-BAN-DR-212, BBK-EXT-BAN-DR-101, BBK-EXT-BAN-DR-111, BBK-EXT-BAN-DR-201, BBK-EXT-BAN-DR-211, BBK-EXT-BAN-ILL-221, BBK-EXT-BAN-DR-202, JQ215102-Birkbeck - High level banners-V1, Location Plan, Cover Letter

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

Reason(s) for Refusal

- 1 The advertisements, by reason of their scale, siting, and design would appear as dominant and incongruous features that harm the character and appearance of the host buildings, street scene, the setting of the nearby Grade II listed buildings, and Bloomsbury Conservation Area, contrary to policies D1 (Design), D2 (Heritage) and D4 (Advertisements), of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

Informative(s):

- 1 The display of an advertisement without consent is a criminal offence under Section 224(3) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. Under Section 225 of the Town and Country Planning Act, Section 10 of the London Local Authorities Act 1995 and Section 11 of the London Local Authorities Act 1995 the Council has powers to enter the land and remove the display. As such, the Council will commence prosecution/action to secure the removal of the advertisement.
- 2 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 the National Planning Policy Framework. The council publishes its adopted policies online, along with detailed Camden Planning Guidance. It also provides advice on the website for submitting applications and offers a pre-application advice service.

WARNING OF INTENTION TO COMMENCE PROSECUTION PROCEEDINGS

The Council has authorised the Director of Law and Administration to start prosecution proceedings in the Magistrates Court to secure removal of these advertisements.

The Council is prepared to allow you a period of **14 days** from the date of this letter in order to remove the advertisements. If the advertisements have not been removed during this period, the Borough Solicitor will be instructed to start proceedings.

I must warn you that the display of such advertisements without the benefit of advertisement consent is a criminal offence pursuant to Section 224 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. The maximum fine for such an offence is currently £2500, and in the case of a continuing offence, £250 for each day which the offence continues after conviction

Yours faithfully



Daniel Pope
Chief Planning Officer

It's easy to make, pay for, track and comment on planning applications on line. Just go to www.camden.gov.uk/planning.

It is important to us to find out what our customers think about the service we provide. To help us in this respect, we would be very grateful if you could take a few moments to complete our [online planning applicants' survey](#). We will use the information you give us to monitor and improve our services.