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### **Development Management**

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Dear Sir/Madam

# DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

## **Householder Application Granted**

Address: Site to the rear of 26 New End Square London NW3 1LS

Proposal: Installation of 1x ASHP and acoustic enclosure in front garden.

Drawing Nos: Location plan; 61\_P\_03; 61\_P\_10; 61\_P\_19; 61\_P\_20\_Rev E; 61\_P\_21\_Rev B; 61\_P\_22\_Rev B; 61\_P\_23\_Rev B; Design and Access Statement dated 20th December 2024 prepared by Dominic McKenzie Architects; Noise Impact Assessment dated 20/12/2024 prepared by Gillieron Scott Acoustic Design; 61\_P\_36\_Rev B

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:

Location plan; 61\_P\_03; 61\_P\_10; 61\_P\_19; 61\_P\_20\_Rev E; 61\_P\_21\_Rev B; 61\_P\_22\_Rev B; 61\_P\_23\_Rev B; Design and Access Statement dated 20th December 2024 prepared by Dominic McKenzie Architects; Noise Impact Assessment dated 20/12/2024 prepared by Gillieron Scott Acoustic Design; 61\_P\_36\_Rev B.

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 and policies DH1 and DH2 of the Hampstead Neighbourhood Plan 2018.

4 The external noise level emitted from plant, machinery or equipment at the development with specified noise mitigation hereby approved shall be lower than the typical existing background noise level by at least 10dBA, by 15dBA where the source is tonal, as assessed according to BS4142:2014 at the nearest and/or most affected noise sensitive premises, with machinery operating at maximum capacity and thereafter be permanently retained.

Reason: To ensure that the amenity of occupiers of the development site/ surrounding premises is not adversely affected by noise from mechanical installations/ equipment in accordance with the requirements of policies A1 and A4 of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

5 Prior to use, machinery, plant or equipment at the development shall be mounted with proprietary anti-vibration isolators and fan motors shall be vibration isolated from the casing and adequately silenced and maintained as such.

Reason: To ensure that the amenity of occupiers of the development site and surrounding premises is not adversely affected by vibration in accordance with the requirements of policies A1 and A4 of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

6 The active cooling function on the air source heat pump hereby approved shall be disabled on the factory setting and the air source heat pump shall be used for the purposes of heating only.

Reason: To ensure the proposal is energy efficient and sustainable in accordance with policy CC1 and CC2 of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

Informative(s):

1 Reasons for granting permission:

The application seeks permission for the installation of 1x ASHP unit and associated acoustic enclosure within the front garden, behind the front boundary fence and wall. The application building is not listed and is identified as a neutral contributor within the Hampstead Conservation Area.

Given the proposed location the ASHP unit would not be visible from the street and therefore the resulting visual impact would be minimal. As such it is not considered the proposal would cause any detrimental visual impact to the appearance and character of the host building or the wider conservation area.

Special attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the conservation area.

Given the nature and location of the proposal, it is not considered to cause any adverse impacts on the amenity of adjoining occupiers in terms of loss of daylight, sunlight or outlook. With respect to noise, a noise impact assessment was submitted which has been reviewed by Council's Environmental Health (Pollution) Officer who is satisfied that the acoustic submission meets Local Plan guidelines and is therefore acceptable in noise amenity terms. Conditions imposing noise limits and anti-vibration isolators have been attached.

The applicant has confirmed that the ASHP is not to be used for cooling, and a condition controlling this has also been attached.

No objections have been received prior to making this decision. The Hampstead CAAC and Hampstead Neighbourhood Forum were consulted but no response was received. 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, A4, D1, D2 and CC1 of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017, Policies DH1 and DH2 of the Hampstead Neighbourhood Plan 2018, the London Plan 2021 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2024.

- 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.

5 The effect of paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ("1990 Act") is that planning permission granted in England is subject to the condition ("the biodiversity gain condition") that development may not begin unless:

(a) a Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted to the planning authority, and(b) the planning authority has approved the plan.

The local planning authority (LPA) that would approve any Biodiversity Gain Plan (BGP) (if required) is London Borough of Camden.

There are statutory exemptions and transitional arrangements which mean that the biodiversity gain condition does not always apply. These are summarised below.

Based on the information available, this will not require the approval of a BGP before development is begun because the application is a Householder Application.

### 6 + Irreplaceable habitat:

If the onsite habitat includes Irreplaceable Habitat (within the meaning of the Biodiversity Gain Requirements (Irreplaceable Habitat) Regulations 2024) there are additional requirements. In addition to information about minimising adverse impacts on the habitat, the BGP must include information on compensation for any impact on the biodiversity of the irreplaceable habitat. The LPA can only approve a BGP if satisfied that the impact on the irreplaceable habitat is minimised and appropriate arrangements have been made for compensating for any impact which do not include the use of biodiversity credits.

++ The effect of section 73(2D) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 If planning permission is granted under section 73, and a BGP was approved in relation to the previous planning permission ("the earlier BGP"), the earlier BGP may be regarded as approved for the purpose of discharging the biodiversity gain condition on this permission. It will be regarded as approved if the conditions attached (and so the permission granted) do not affect the postdevelopment value of the onsite habitat, or any arrangements made to compensate irreplaceable habitat, as specified in the earlier BGP.

### ++ Phased development

In the case of phased development, the BGP will be required to be submitted to and approved by the LPA before development can begin (the overall plan), and before each phase of development can begin (phase plans). The modifications in respect of the biodiversity gain condition in phased development are set out in Part 2 of the Biodiversity Gain (Town and Country Planning) (Modifications and Amendments) (England) Regulations 2024.

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.

You can find advice about your rights of appeal at:

https://www.gov.uk/appeal-householder-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