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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

Listed Building Consent Granted

Address:

German Historical Institute
17 Bloomsbury Square
London
WC1A 2NJ

Proposal:

Replacement of existing external condenser unit and installation of new CCTV security cameras

Drawing Nos:

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:

Heritage Impact Assessment dated December 2024; Design and Access

Statement dated December 2024; Environmental Noise Survey and Plant Noise Assessment Report dated 3rd December 2024; Site Location Plan; SCH-198-OS-0001; SCH-198-10-0000-B1 Rev D; SCH-198-20-0000-B1 Rev C; SCH-198-05-0000-B1 rev A; SCH-198-20-0000-B1 rev C; 310311-HAH-XX-B1-D-E-06810 Rev P02

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 The site is a grade II listed sixteenth century house located at the corner of Bloomsbury Square and Great Rusell Square.

The applicant wishes to replace an existing air condenser within the front lightwell and CCTV units within the property along with 2 new CCTV cameras and 2 audio video intercom panels.

The application has been revised with the arm-mounted cameras to be replaced with dome cameras, these are considered to be a more sensitive in protecting the listed building status of the building. The proposed air condenser would to replace an existing unit within the front lightwell, this would have limited visual impact due to its placement. It is considered that the proposed works will not harm the special interest of the listed building.

No objections were received prior to the determination of this application. The planning history of the site has been taken into account when coming to this decision.

Particular attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving the special interest of the listed building, under s.16 of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990 as amended by the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act (ERR) 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 London Plan 2021.

- 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 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:

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

Yours faithfully

Daniel Pope
Chief Planning Officer