

24th March 2025

Ms Miriam Baptist
London Borough of Camden Planning

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Dear Ms Baptist,

RE: 2024/5407/P Restoration, conservation, demolition, replacement and erection of buildings in East Side and West Side of Highgate Cemetery, including erection of a gardeners building on the East Side, erection of visitor and operations building and relocation of Perkins monument on the West Side, Cemetery wide landscaping, drainage, public realm, access works and repair of mausolea, to support the function of a working cemetery, visitor and community uses | Highgate Cemetery Swain's Lane London N6 6PJ

Thank you for consulting the Victorian Society on this application. We would like to express our support for the proposals for Highgate Cemetery which include the restoration and conservation of the site.

The proposals have been carefully considered and demonstrate a high standard of restoration and conservation. The proposed buildings are sympathetic in their form and the chosen materials help in creating a cohesive relationship between the extant buildings and the proposed. The reinstatement of historic features including the pinnacles and cupola to the Chapels, the restoration of the obelisk to the Egyptian Avenue and the lowering of the courtyard to reveal the base of the Colonnade will contribute to enhancing the architectural significance of the site. Further to this, the plans to increase and improve public access will allow such improvements to be appreciated and experienced.

It is clear that a sensitive approach, which aims to prevent excessive restoration of the cemetery and preserve its historic character, has driven the proposals and is an ethos that is present throughout.

The Victorian Society supports the proposed improvements to drainage, footpaths, and the restoration of views toward St Paul's Cathedral.

Yours faithfully,

Darcie Kerr

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