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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Full Planning Permission Granted

Address:
9 Wedderburn Road
London
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Proposal:
Reconstruction of the external staircase and repair/replacement of the roof of the existing rear addition.
Drawing Nos: 131_005_PL01; 131_022_PL01; 131_202_PL03; 131_420_PL01;
131_421_PL01; 131_422_PL01 and 131_423_PL01.

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: 131_005_PL01; 131_022_PL01; 131_202_PL03;

131_420_PL01; 131_421_PL01; 131_422_PL01 and 131_423_PL01.

- 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.

Informative(s):

- 1 Reasons for granting permission:

Planning permission was sought for the installation of a rear extension, infilling the undercroft to the rear with frameless glazing in the arched openings to the lower ground and the felling of the tree to the front elevation and minor external alterations including reconstruction of the external staircase connecting the ground to the lower-ground floor level and the repair/replace of the roof of the existing rear extension.

Planning permission is now sought for the reconstruction of the external staircase connecting the ground to the lower-ground floor level and the repair/replacement of the roof of the existing rear extension.

The proposed works to the external stairs would replace the existing cladding with limestone. However, it is unclear whether limestone was the original facing material of the steps, as they are currently covered in asphalt, given their location at the back and the alterations made to this area of the building over time. Thus, the proposal is considered to be of appropriate quality and does not detract from the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

The repair or replacement of the roof tiles is considered acceptable, given that the existing roof is in disrepair and the proposed works would be a minor alteration that would not detract from the overall appearance of the building. Moreover, the applicant has proposed reusing the tiles, which are in good repair, and there would be no change to the roof height. The roof and felt would be replaced with like-for-like materials, and any additional tiles required would be sourced accordingly. However, it should be noted that any Scaffolding that is erected should be erected in a manner that minimises anchors into the masonry.

The Council's conservation officer raises no objection, given the materials used and the proposed manner of repair. As such, the replacement is not considered to be detrimental to the character of the building or that of the wider conservation area.

The works are minor in nature, and when combined with the proposal, they would not result in any further encroachment on the garden area, thereby maintaining biodiversity net gain.

The proposal is considered to preserve the character and appearance of the conservation area. Special attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the Conservation Area, under s.72 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 as amended by the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013.

Given the nature and location of the proposed works, including the replacement of the roof on the ground floor conservatory and the replacement of the external stairs, the works would not be harmful, nor would the proposal have any adverse impacts on the amenity of the adjoining residential occupiers.

The Fitzjohn and Netherhall Conservation Area were consulted, and no comment/object was received at the time of writing this planning application. Multiple objections were received from 9B and 11 Wedderburn Road and are assessed separately. 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, D1 and D2 of the Camden Local Plan 2017. The proposed development also accords with 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 Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) Informative (1/2):

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, but you should check the legislation yourself and ensure you meet the statutory requirements.

Based on the information available this permission will not require the approval of a Biodiversity Gain Plan before development is begun due to the proposal being 25sqm of onsite habitat that has biodiversity value greater than zero and less than 5m in length of onsite linear habits.

++ Summary of transitional arrangements and exemptions for biodiversity gain condition

The following are provided for information and may not apply to this permission:

1. The planning application was made before 12 February 2024.
2. The planning permission is retrospective.
3. The planning permission was granted under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the original (parent) planning permission was made or granted before 12 February 2024.
4. The permission is exempt because of one or more of the reasons below:
 - It is not "major development" and the application was made or granted before 2 April 2024, or planning permission is granted under section 73 and the original (parent) permission was made or granted before 2 April 2024.
 - It is below the de minimis threshold (because it does not impact an onsite priority habitat AND impacts less than 25 square metres of onsite habitat with biodiversity value greater than zero and less than 5 metres in length of onsite linear habitat).

- The application is a Householder Application.
- It is for development of a 'Biodiversity Gain Site'.
- It is Self and Custom Build Development (for no more than 9 dwellings on a site no larger than 0.5 hectares and consists exclusively of dwellings which are Self-Build or Custom Housebuilding).
- It forms part of, or is ancillary to, the high-speed railway transport network (High Speed 2).

6 Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) Informative (2/2):

+ 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 both the post-development value of the onsite habitat and 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-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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DPope', is positioned above the printed name and title.

Daniel Pope
Chief Planning Officer