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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:  
Upgrade of internal MEP, fire safety and light fittings  
Drawing Nos: Site location plan  
location plan

#### **LIGHTING**

SLHA 17 Bloomsbury Square lighting method statement March 2025  
FC Fittings with new position fixing  
FC\_Proposed Lighting Layouts - REVISED-250306.pdf  
FC\_12\_GF\_LLP-P  
FC\_12\_GF\_RCP-P REV-1  
FC\_12\_1F\_LLP-P REV-1  
FC\_12\_1F\_RCP-P REV-1  
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FC\_12\_3F\_LLP-P  
FC\_12\_3F\_RCP-P

#### **ELECTRICAL**

HAH-Proposed Small Power and Data Layouts - REVISED-250306.pdf

310311-HAH-XX-00-D-E-06210 REV-P06  
310311-HAH-XX-01-D-E-06210 REV-P05  
310311-HAH-XX-02-D-E-06210 REV-P04  
310311-HAH-XX-03-D-E-06210 REV-P04  
310311-HAH-XX-B1-D-E-06210 REV-P02

#### MECHANICAL

HAH-Existing Mechanical Strip out Layouts - REVISED-250306.pdf

310311-HAH-XX-00-D-M-05611 REV-P02  
310311-HAH-XX-01-D-M-05611 REV-P02  
310311-HAH-XX-02-D-M-05611 REV-P01

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:

Site location plan  
location plan

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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 pair of grade-II-listed late-17th-century terraced houses remodelled by Nash in 1777, now in use as a non-residential cultural institution and making a positive contribution to the Bloomsbury Conservation Area.

The applicant wishes to renew small power, lighting and emergency exit equipment. The works are internal.

Much of the equipment replaces existing fittings. The existing lighting in the principal rooms of the ground floor is of poor quality. Where new equipment is proposed, it is to be sensitively sited and distribution of wiring is shown in the drawings. The basement and second floor are areas of low significance.

A proposal to replace the lighting in principal rooms on the first floor and the circulation spaces has been removed from the scheme pending further design work.

Any works other than those specifically shown in the consented drawings are unauthorised. If further works are found to be needed, the permission of the council's conservation team must be obtained in writing, and further listed building consent may be required.

The site's planning history has been taken into account in making this decision.

Overall, the proposal would preserve the special interest of the listed building. The council has had special regard to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the listed building, its setting, and its features of special architectural or historic interest.

- 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DPope', is written over a light blue rectangular background.

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