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Dear Sir/Madam

#### **DECISION**

Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

# **Listed Building Consent Granted**

Address:

Cecil Sharp House 2 Regent's Park Road London NW1 7AY

#### Proposal:

To remove an internal wall in the basement between two archive rooms and support via a structural steel frame.

Drawing Nos: Existing Site Plan (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 050); D&A Statement; Description of Work; Existing Plan Layout Archive 01 & 02 (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 700 A); Existing Archive 01 & 02 Elevations (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 710 A); Existing Site Plan (Drawing No. AP30\_DWG\_ 100 A); Existing GA Basement Plan (Drawing No. AP30 DWG\_2B1 A); Existing Ground Floor (Drawing No. AP30\_DWG\_200 A); Existing First Floor (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 201 A); Existing Second Floor Plan (Drawing No. AP30\_DWG\_ 202 A); Existing Roof Plan (Drawing No. AP30\_DWG\_ 203 A); Existing Section AA (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 300 A); Existing Section BB (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 301 A); Existing North Elevation (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 400 A); Existing East Elevation (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 401 A); Existing South Elevation (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 402 A); Existing West Elevation (Drawing No. AP30\_DWG\_ 403 A); Trial Hole (Drawing No. 224276 - MNP - XX - XX -SK - S - 0001); Proposed GA Plan Basement (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 12B1 A); Steel Frame & Section A-A (Drawing No. 224276 MNP CS XX DR S 2100); Proposed Plan Layout Karpeles (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 1700 B); Proposed Karpeles Elevations (Drawing No. AP30 DWG 1710 B).

The Council has considered your application and decided to grant Listed Building Consent subject to the following condition(s):

### Conditions And Reasons:

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:

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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 Reasons for granting delegated listed building consent:

Cecil Sharp House (CSH) by H.M. Fletcher, built in 1929-30, is the headquarters of the English Folk Dance and Song Society (EFDASS). The building was partly rebuilt in 1949-51 following war damage. The building, which is Grade II listed, is Neo-Georgian is style, constructed in brown brick with a hipped tiled roof. The property has a rectangular footprint within a triangular corner site.

Consent is sought for the removal of the internal wall between the rooms 'Archive 01' and 'Archive 02' at Lower Ground Floor. The masonry wall is to be replaced by a steel moment frame designed by a structural engineer.

The internal arrangement of rooms within CSH has been subject to a certain amount of reconfiguration in the past. The current proposal will create an additional medium-sized venue space and is driven by the wishes of the EFDASS to continue to provide a functional and fit-for-purpose building.

The proposal is considered not to cause harm to either to the historic or architectural significance of the building.

This proposal is for internal works to a Grade II listed building. In line with the Statement of Community Involvement the application was not publicised as there is no statutory requirement to consult.

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

Special regard has been attached to the desirability of preserving the listed building and its features of special architectural or historic interest, under s.16 of the Planning (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 policies 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.

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

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