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Application Ref: **2012/5172/P**
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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order 2010
Town and Country Planning (Applications) Regulations 1988

Full Planning Permission Refused

Address:
32 - 33 Hatton Garden
London
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Proposal:
Change of use from office (Class B1) at 6th floor level to 2 self-contained flats (Class C3), including alterations to windows on the rear and front elevations.

Drawing Nos: site location plan, 20121081- PL5, 9, 10, 30, 31, 32; Design & Access Statement, Lifetime Homes Statement.

The Council has considered your application and decided to **refuse** planning permission for the following reason(s):

Reason(s) for Refusal

- 1 The proposed change of use when considered individually or in combination with concurrent planning applications 2012/0088/P and 2012/5218/P, in the absence of adequate marketing evidence to demonstrate that the existing office space is no longer viable for employment purposes, would result in the loss of premises suitable for continued business use, contrary to policies CS8 (promoting Camden's



economy) and DP13 (Employment premises and sites) of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and Development Policies.

- 2 The proposed development, in the absence of a legal agreement securing a financial contribution for the jewellery sector in Hatton Garden, would result in the loss of employment floorspace capable of continued occupation by the jewellery industry, contrary to policies CS9 (Achieving a successful Central London), CS8 (Promoting a successful and inclusive Camden economy), and DP13 (Employment premises and sites) of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and Development Policies.
- 3 The proposed new flats, by reason of their inadequately sized floor areas and their failure to meet lifetime homes standards, would fail to provide an adequate standard of living accommodation for future occupiers. The application is therefore contrary to policies CS5 (Managing the impact of growth and development), CS6 (Providing quality homes), DP5 (Housing size mix), DP6 (Lifetime homes and wheelchair homes) and DP26 (Managing the impact of development on occupiers and neighbours) of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and Development Policies.
- 4 The proposed development, in the absence of a legal agreement securing car-free housing, would be likely to contribute unacceptably to parking stress and congestion in the surrounding area, contrary to policies CS11 (sustainable travel) and DP18 (parking standards) of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and Development Policies.
- 5 The proposed development, if implemented in conjunction with the schemes as proposed in the concurrent planning applications on the same property (references 2012/0088/P and 2012/5218/P), would cumulatively result in the provision of 10 or more dwelling units on this site. In the absence of a legal agreement securing affordable housing, the development would fail to ensure the provision of the required amount of affordable housing for the overall scheme, contrary to policies CS6 (Providing quality homes) and DP3 (Contributions to supply of affordable housing) of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy & Development Policies.
- 6 The proposed development, if implemented in conjunction with the schemes as proposed in the concurrent planning applications on the same property (references 2012/0088/P and 2012/5218/P), would cumulatively result in the provision of 5 or more dwelling units on this site. In the absence of a legal agreement for securing contributions for public open space provision, the development would be likely to contribute unacceptably to pressure and demand on the Borough's existing open space facilities, contrary to policies CS15 (Protecting and improving open spaces & encouraging biodiversity) and DP31 (open space and outdoor recreation) of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and Development Policies.
- 7 The proposed development, if implemented in conjunction with the schemes as proposed in the concurrent planning applications on the same property (references 2012/0088/P and 2012/5218/P), would cumulatively result in the provision of 5 or

more dwelling units on this site. In the absence of a legal agreement for securing contributions to educational provision, the development would be likely to contribute unacceptably to pressure and demand on the Borough's existing educational facilities, contrary to policies CS10 (Community facilities and services) and DP15 (Community and leisure uses) of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and Development Policies.

Informative(s):

- 1 Without prejudice to any future application or appeal, the applicant is advised that reasons for refusal numbered 4, 5, 6, 7 could be overcome by entering into a Section 106 Legal Agreement for a scheme that was in all other respects acceptable.

In dealing with the application, the Council has sought to work with the applicant in a positive and proactive way in accordance with paragraphs 186 and 187 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

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