Design & Access Statement

In connection with the application for Planning Permission and Conservation Area Consent To form two new window apertures on the east elevation incorporating metal windows matching the existing windows on the west elevation at:

84A Marchmont Street WC1N 1AG

to provide improved natural lighting within the building used as a Design Studio

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1 This statement is produced in connection with an application to the London Borough of Camden for Planning Permission and Conservation Area Consent to form two new windows.

2 84A Marchmont Street is a building used as a design studio involving the extensive use of computer aided design (Use Class B1).

3 The access to the building is via a passageway from Marchmont Street which leads to the ground floor entrance. This access will not be altered in any way by these proposals.

4 An improvement programme is underway to provide better working conditions for the staff. As part of this programme it is proposed to form two new windows on the east side of the ground floor in order to improve the natural light.

5 The building is within the Bloomsbury Conservation Area.

6 The proposed new windows on the east elevation would incorporate a similar glazing pattern the existing windows on the west elevation.

7 The larger proposed new window would be the same height and width as those on the west elevation (1838mm high x 1834mm wide)

8 The smaller kitchen window would measure 1538mm high x 934mm wide with a similar glazing pattern the larger adjacent window.

7 Generally the appearance of the windows would maintain the same perpendicular appearance as the existing but the incorporation of double glazing would require an increase in the overall thickness of the bars between the interior and exterior faces.

8 I have consulted Camden Planning and have spoken to the Duty Planning Office [Obote], he advised that he did not think this would be a contentious issue and suggested I submit the application.

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