Delegated Report		Analysis sheet		Expiry Date:	29/11/20	012
		N/A / attached		Consultation Expiry Date:	/ Date: 15/11/2012	
Officer			Application Nu	ımber(s)		
Victoria Pound		2012/5318/L				
Application Address			Drawing Numbers			
Philips Building School of Oriental & African Studies 10 Thornhaugh Street London WC1H 0XG			See decision letter.			
PO 3/4 Area Tear	n Signature	C&UD	Authorised Off	icer Signature	9	
Proposal(s)						
Removal of internal block work wall to create opening between two rooms on mezzanine floor to existing educational establishment (class D1)						
Recommendation(s):	Grant listed building consent.					
Application Type:	Listed Building Consent					
Conditions or Reasons for Refusal:	Refer to Draft Decision Notice					
Informatives:						
Consultations						
Adjoining Occupiers:	No. notified	00	No. of responses	00 No. of	objections	00
	Press and site notices displayed – no responses received.					
Summary of consultation responses:	English Heritage – flexible authorisation received.					
	N/a – listed building consent only.					
CAAC/Local groups* comments: *Please Specify						

Site Description

Grade II* university library by Denis Lasdun, completed 1973. Listed in 2011 as, while relatively little-known, one of the most powerful library designs of the post-war period, also of interest for being a work of this major post-war architect. The main library space is remarkable. Through a complex structure of terraces, a skilful employment of natural light via a concrete diagrid ceiling and good-quality finishes throughout, Lasdun created a dramatic and memorable learning environment.

Relevant History

The building was listed in 2011.

2012/2748/L – Listed building consent granted 25/07/2012 for *Internal alterations to include the* addition of 2 x partition walls and replacement of 2 existing partition walls, blocking of 4 existing openings and creation of a new opening to accommodate 2 additional rooms at second floor level; replacement of hanging ceilings at lower ground and fifth floor level.

Relevant policies

LDF Core Strategy and Development Policies

CS14 Promoting high quality places and conserving our heritage

DP25 Conserving Camden's heritage

Assessment

Minor works of alteration are proposed within office spaces within the library mezzanine level. The main library space is unaffected by the works.

It is proposed to remove a small amount of blockwork wall in order to create a door width opening between two rooms, and to remove non-original suspended ceilings within these rooms to allow the original ceilings to be exposed.

The works are minor in nature and will be undertaken in a manner which is sympathetic to the special interest of the building, and will not affect any significant plan form or areas of high architectural significance. The relevant local and national policies are met and approval is therefore recommended.

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