Delegated Report		Analysis sheet		Expiry I	y Date: 21/06/2012		012	
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Application Address			Drawing Numb	Drawing Numbers				
Highgate Cemetery Swains Lane London N6 6PJ			See decision letter.					
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Proposal(s)								
Installation of 3x rooflights and removal of internal brick blocking to Mausoleum (Monument to General Sir Loftus Otway).								
Recommendation(s): Grant listed building c			consent.	nsent.				
Application Type: Listed Building Co			sent					
Conditions or Reasons for Refusal:	Refer to Draft D	otice						
Informatives:								
Consultations								
Adjoining Occupiers:	No. notified	00	No. of responses	00	No. of o	bjections	00	
			No. electronic	00				
Summary of consultation responses:	Press and site	e notices	displayed – no respoi	nses rec	eived.			
	N/a – listed building consent only.							
CAAC/Local groups* comments: *Please Specify								

Site Description

Grade II listed mauseoleum and monument to General Sir Loftus Otway, d.1854. The mausoleum is constructed in Portland stone with pediment, frieze and wreaths. Access is via a cast-iron six-panel door within lugged surround, which is attached to the triangular vault, contained within a low rusticated wall.

The memorial lies within the Highgate west cemetery. Dating from the 19th century, many of the monuments and tombs within the East and West Cemeteries are individually protected by statutory listing, while in recognition of the importance of the landscaping the cemeteries are included in the List of Historic Parks and Gardens.

Relevant History

None directly relevant to this structure.

Relevant policies

LDF Core Strategy and Development Policies

CS14 Promoting high quality places and conserving our heritage DP25 Conserving Camden's heritage

Assessment

Alterations are proposed in tandem with the repair, maintenance and conservation of the mausoleum and memorial structures.

The triangular vault area has a flat roof which is contained within low stone walls. This originally supported three glazed rooflights, which were covered over with poured concrete at some point during the C20. It is proposed to reinstate glazed rooflights here, within the existing openings, in order to once again provide natural light to the crypt interior. The age of the existing glass where it remains is not clear, but it will not survive the removal of the concrete. It is proposed instead to form a new, low Portland stone upstand frame around each opening, into which new etched safety glass can be affixed. The glass will be affixed in a manner which ensures that it cannot be lifted out, to maintain the security of the crypt. The material, scale, proportions and simple profile of the stone frame are considered to preserve the appearance, character and special architectural and historic interest of the memorial, and will bring benefit to the character and appreciation of the interior of the structure. The works will not have a detrimental impact upon the character of the wider Highgate cemetery.

A small amount of non-original infill brickwork to the inside of the crypt, adjacent to the steps, is proposed to be removed; this was installed in the C20 to provide additional security, and is no longer necessary. Its removal will also aid in improving natural light conditions below.

Light touch conservation and repair work including rebedding of loose stones and repair of brickwork etc is also proposed, to be undertaken in appropriate matching materials and methodology; this will help to ensure the good condition of the structure in the long term.

The works proposed are considered to preserve the special interest of the building, in line with local and national policy. Approval is therefore recommended.

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