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Your reference R01/73

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Dear Sir(s) or Madam,

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1971
Refusal of permission to develop

The Council, in pursuance of its powers under the above-mentioned Act and Orders made hereunder, hereby refuses to permit the development referred to in the undermentioned Schedule as shown on the plans submitted. Your attention is drawn to the Statement of Applicant's Rights set out overleaf.

SCHEDULE

Date of application: 8th August 1973

Plans submitted: Reg. No: 17159 Your No: 1115/600-616

Development:

The redevelopment of 199-206 High Holborn and 2-8 (even) Newton Street, W.C.1 by a building to be used for shops, flats and offices.

Reasons for refusal:

1. The proposed use for office purposes does not conform with the provisions of the Initial Development Plan in which the area is zoned for West End purposes.
2. The proposed development involves an increase in office accommodation contrary to the Council's policy of restricting the growth of such space in Central London, as expressed in the Written Statement of the Initial Development Plan.
3. The Council's daylighting standards are not complied with, and access of adequate natural light to adjoining premises is prevented to the detriment of their amenities.
4. It is considered that the proposal to superimpose 4 further stories of building above the retained facade of Nos. 199-206 High Holborn, together with the construction of a new block at Nos. 203-206 High Holborn, will destroy the context of the existing building, leaving it enclosed in a taller structure to the detriment of its architectural and historic interest and the amenity of the surrounding area generally.

Yours faithfully,

Director
(Duly authorised by the Council)

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