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Our ref: W: L00394191

10 April 2014

Dear Ms Carr

Notifications under Circular 01/2001, Circular 08/2009 & T&CP (Development Management Procedure) Order 2010 Application for Listed Building Consent

19 FITZROY SQUARE, LONDON, W1T 6BU Application No 2014/0238/L

Thank you for your letter of 2 April 2014 notifying English Heritage of the scheme relating to the above site. English Heritage commented on a similar listed building consent application (ref: 2014/0237/L) in February 2014 (our ref: L00352871) for the conversion of 19 Fitzroy Square into two self-contained units. We made several observation but were content for the application to be determined without our further involvement.

We note that this alternative scheme (2014/0238/L) seeks to reinstate the building as a single dwelling. From the drawings provided it would appear that this would involve less removal of existing, and potentially historic fabric particularly on the lower ground floor. Therefore, although these two applications do not differ significantly, this application demonstrates a more sensitive approach to the listed building.

We note that the spine wall of the back wing at ground floor level would be removed, as with the alternative scheme. We previously advised that further information on the historic significance of the wall to be removed should be provided. Following these comments, the applicant has provided further details demonstrating that the wall is likely to be of little historic value, but nonetheless now intends to retain a nib of the wall at both ends. We welcome this revision and understand that this will also apply to this application.

Finally, there appears to be a discrepancy in the proposed demolition drawings regarding the dropping of a sill on the Conway Street elevation. Drawing *Demolition - Long Section E* (12103_PL_76, Nov 2013) illustrates that the sill would be demolished



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as part of this proposal. However, this is not reflected in any other proposed drawings as part of this submission. Clarification on this element should be sought, and our preference would be to see this element removed from the application if it is not required.

Recommendation

This application should be determined in accordance with national and local policy guidance and on the basis of your specialist conservation advice.

We have therefore drafted the necessary letter of authorisation (draft attached) for your Council to determine the application as you see fit and referred the case to National Planning Casework Unit. Subject to the Secretary of State not directing reference of the application to him, they will return the letter of authorisation to you. If your authority is minded to grant listed building consent, you will then be able to issue a formal decision. Please send us a copy of your Council's decision notice in due course.

Please note that this response relates to historic building matters only. If there are any archaeological implications to the proposals it is recommended that you contact the Greater London Archaeological Advisory Service for further advice (Tel: 020 7973 3712).

Yours sincerely

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Enc: Draft letter of authorisation

List of documents received by English Heritage

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Documents as approved



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Authorisation to Determine an Application for Listed Building Consent as Seen Fit

19 FITZROY SQUARE, LONDON, W1T 6BU Application No 2014/0238/L

Applicant: Rolfe Judd Planning

Grade of building(s): II*

Proposed works: Alterations to internal walls, replacement of roof of rear

addition and first floor rear external stair and balcony

Drawing numbers: Drawings as approved

Date of application:

Date of referral by Council:

Date received by English Heritage:

Date referred to CLG:

15 January 2014

2 April 2014

10 April 2014

You are hereby authorised to determine the application for listed building consent referred to above as you think fit. In so doing English Heritage would stress that it is not expressing any views on the merits of the proposals which are the subject of the application.



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Yours sincerely

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NB: This authorisation is not valid unless it has been appropriately endorsed by the Secretary of State.

