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Application Ref: 2015/4889/P Please ask for: Carlos Martin Telephone: 020 7974 2717

24 November 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

Mr David Vickery

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Purley

Surrey CR8 3QA

**Davies Vickery Associates** 

## **DECISION**

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

## **Full Planning Permission Granted**

Address:

Dragon Court 27 Macklin Street London WC2B 5LX

Proposal: Installation of 4x outdoor air conditioning condenser units at 4th floor level.

Drawing Nos: Site location plan; 1x unnumbered drawing titled "Reed Dragon Court Condensing Units"; 5353.13 D; 5353.18 B; 5353.19; 5353.20; Design and Access Statement; Daikin air conditioning technical data x2; & Noise Assessment dated Friday 18th September 2015.

The Council has considered your application and decided to grant permission subject to the following condition(s):

## Condition(s) and Reason(s):

1 The development hereby permitted must be begun not later than the end of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: In order to comply with the provisions of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).



2 The air conditioning units hereby approved shall not be operational until their respective acoustic louvre enclosure has been fitted. The enclosure shall permanently be retained thereafter.

Reason: To safeguard the amenity of nearby residents in accordance with the requirements of policy CS5 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and policies DP26 and DP28 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Development Policies.

The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: Site location plan; 1x unnumbered drawing titled "Reed Dragon Court Condensing Units"; 5353.13 D; 5353.18 B; 5353.19; 5353.20; Design and Access Statement; Daikin air conditioning technical data x2; & Noise Assessment dated Friday 18th September 2015.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interest of proper planning.

4 Noise levels at a point 1 metre external to sensitive facades shall be at least 5dB(A) less than the existing background measurement (LA90), expressed in dB(A) when all plant/equipment (or any part of it) is in operation unless the plant/equipment hereby permitted will have a noise that has a distinguishable, discrete continuous note (whine, hiss, screech, hum) and/or if there are distinct impulses (bangs, clicks, clatters, thumps), then the noise levels from that piece of plant/equipment at any sensitive façade shall be at least 10dB(A) below the LA90, expressed in dB(A).

Reason: To safeguard the amenities of the adjoining premises and the area generally in accordance with the requirements of policy CS5 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and policies DP26 and DP28 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Development Policies.

The acoustic enclosure shall be erected in materials that resemble, as closely as possible, in colour and texture those of the existing plant enclosure at roof level, unless otherwise specified in the approved application.

Reason: To safeguard the appearance of the premises and the character of the immediate area in accordance with the requirements of policy CS14 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and policies DP24 and DP25 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Development Policies.

## Informative(s):

1 Reasons for granting permission.

The proposed air conditioning units with a 1.2m high enclosure would be located well away from the front building line, which would ensure that they are not visible

from street level and therefore they would not harm the character and appearance of the host building or the surrounding conservation area.

Whilst the development will have some impact in terms of incorporating external equipment that may generate noise, an acoustic report has been submitted to the satisfaction of the Council's Environmental Health department. A condition is added to ensure that the units meet the Council's standard noise criteria and would not have an adverse effect on the amenity of neighbouring properties.

One comment has been received following the statutory consultation and duly taken into consideration. The site's planning history and relevant appeal decisions were taken into account when coming to this decision.

Considerable importance and weight has been attached to the harm and special attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the conservation area under s.72 (CA's) of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990 as amended by the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act (ERR) 2013.

As such, the proposed development is in general accordance with policies CS5 and CS14 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy, and policies DP24, DP25, DP26 and DP28 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Development Policies. The proposed development also accords with policies 7.4, 7.6 and 7.8 of the London Plan 2015, consolidated with alterations since 2011; and paragraphs 14, 17, 56-66 and 126-141 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

- Your proposals may be subject to control under the Building Regulations and/or the London Buildings Acts which cover aspects including fire and emergency escape, access and facilities for people with disabilities and sound insulation between dwellings. You are advised to consult the Council's Building Control Service, Camden Town Hall, Argyle Street WC1H 8EQ, (tel: 020-7974 6941).
- 3 Noise from demolition and construction works is subject to control under the Control of Pollution Act 1974. You must carry out any building works that can be heard at the boundary of the site only between 08.00 and 18.00 hours Monday to Friday and 08.00 to 13.00 on Saturday and not at all on Sundays and Public Holidays. You are advised to consult the Council's Compliance and Enforcement team [Regulatory Services], Camden Town Hall, Argyle Street, WC1H 8EQ (Tel. 020 7974 4444 the website on http://www.camden.gov.uk/ccm/content/contacts/councilcontacts/environment/contact-the-environmental-health-team.en or seek prior approval under Section 61 of the Act if you anticipate any difficulty in carrying out construction other than within the hours stated above.

In dealing with the application, the Council has sought to work with the applicant in a positive and proactive way in accordance with paragraphs 186 and 187 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

You can find advice about your rights of appeal at:

http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent

Yours faithfully

Ed Watson

Director of Culture & Environment

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