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Application Ref: **2015/3676/L**
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4 December 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

Listed Building Consent Granted

Address:
Studio House
1 Hampstead Hill Gardens
London
NW3 2PH

Proposal:
Installation of a blue plaque to front elevation at ground floor level.
Drawing Nos: Site Location Plan;
Photomontage, Photomontage 2, Illustration of proposed plaque;
Methodology

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

Conditions And Reasons:

- 1 The works hereby permitted shall be begun not later than the end of three years from the date of this consent.

Reason: In order to comply with the provisions of Section 18 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.



- 2 The works hereby approved are only those specifically indicated on the drawing(s) referred to above.

Reason: In order to safeguard the special architectural and historic interest of the building in accordance with the requirements of policy CS14 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and policy DP25 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Development Policies.

Informative(s):

- 1 The proposed plaque is approximately 450mm in width and 300mm in height, and will be subtly distinguished from English Heritage's typical blue plaques by its oval form and by being affixed directly to the surface of the wall rather than set in. The applicant has undertaken to use lime mortar as a fixing agent, which promises less potential damage to brickwork than cement mortar, along with two 3 inch (c. 75mm) stainless steel dowles bonded into mortar joints. This approach is reasonably sensitive and reversible, and will not harm the special interest of the listed building.

The plaque is to be fixed centred in the blank wall to the right of the door, beneath the brickwork band and approximately aligned with the arched head of the doorway. A plaque of this size and style in this location is considered acceptable considering the architectural special interest of the house and the Conservation Area, and through commemoration of the Empsons will make better-known an aspect of the house's historic interest.

Public consultation was undertaken by placement of a press and site notice, whereby no responses were received. No objections have been received prior to making this decision. The site's planning history and relevant appeal decisions were taken into account when coming to this decision.

Special regard has been attached to the desirability of preserving the listed building or any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses, and to preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the Conservation Area, as required under ss.16 and 72 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 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. The proposed development also accords with policies 7.4, 7.6 and 7.8 of the London Plan 2011; and paragraphs 14, 17, 56 -66 and 126-141 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ed Watson', written in a cursive style.

Ed Watson
Director of Culture & Environment