

Appendix 10-Email from Planning Officer

Edmund Hodges

From: Paul Watson
Sent: 18 December 2015 11:36
To: Edmund Hodges
Subject: FW: 99 Great Russell Street

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From: Litherland, Jenna [<mailto:Jenna.Litherland@camden.gov.uk>]
Sent: 17 September 2015 11:34
To: Paul Watson
Subject: RE: 99 Great Russell Street

Dear Paul,

I hope this is not too late for you. I have just returned from leave today.

I can advise that, from looking at the planning history and a site visit undertaken in 2014, I am of the view that the lawful use of No. 99 Great Russell Street (which forms part of Nos. 97-103 Great Russell Street) appears to be a D1 educational institution.

However, I would agree that for formal confirmation you should submit an application for Lawful Development Certificate.

I hope this is of assistance.

Regards, Jenna

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From: Paul Watson [<mailto:paul@phillips-planning.co.uk>]
Sent: 14 September 2015 09:59
To: Litherland, Jenna
Subject: RE: 99 Great Russell Street

Dear Jenna

I hope you are well?

I have been unable to catch you on the telephone but would be grateful if you could give me a quick call to discuss an issue which has arisen with 99 Great Russell Street. (07774 000111)

As you know 98 – 103 GRS are in use by Florida State University as a teaching facility with some accommodation and you recently granted permission for additional student accommodation at No. 99.

FSU have occupied the buildings since around 1980 I believe. However as part of new rules and regulations faced by overseas educational institutions it is necessary for FSU to demonstrate that its premises can be used for the purposes stated i.e. educational.

I have been reviewing the records / history for FSU and have provided them with relevant records to demonstrate that the premises is being used lawfully i.e. old permissions etc.

However the papers generally reference 97 – 103 rather than each building individually and so although its obvious, there is nothing technically I can see which is wholly specific to 99.

Their lawyer is keen to have a piece of paper which confirms that 99 is being lawfully used. I have passed him a copy of the latest consent for 99 but this references change of use of second floor.... and so he is not fully satisfied and wants something referencing 99 as a whole.

Obviously we could submit an LDC to gain a certificate but this will take a little time and he needs to lodge some papers relating to the buildings use by Wednesday this week!

I have been asked in the short term to see if you could drop me an informal email just confirming that as far as the Council is concerned No 99 is seen as part of the wider FSU buildings and can be used lawfully for education / teaching purposes with accommodation on the second floor as per the recent permissions? This would help in the short term but I may still need to make the LDC application to get something more formal.

Kind regards

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Sent: 23 January 2015 09:33

To: Paul Watson

Subject: RE: 103 Great Russell Street



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