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Mr Alfie Stroud London Borough of Camden Development Control Planning Services Town Hall, Argyle Street London WC1H 8ND

Our ref: L00506127

20 April 2016

Dear Mr Stroud

Arrangements for Handling Heritage Applications Direction 2015 & T&CP (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 Application for Listed Building Consent

10 GREAT ORMOND STREET, BLOOMSBURY, LONDON, WC1N 3RB Application No 2016/0402/L

Thank you for your letter of 31 March 2016 notifying Historic England of the application for listed building consent at Grade II* listed 10 Great Ormond Street, Bloomsbury.

Historic England was made aware of these proposals during a site visit to discuss the now approved proposals for the rear vaults (Ref: 2015/5501/L). We indicated then that the plans to alter the basement layout should be submitted in combination with a conservation strategy for the original staircase which currently possesses a somewhat utilitarian character due to its existing communal use.

We are pleased to see that our advice has been addressed in the application, and the work will include the repair and restoration of the staircase. We recommend that the paint stripping and 'Soda Blasting' cleaning are subject to trials in a discrete location and that further details are provided on the new balusters. These details could be provided by condition should your Council be minded to approve the application.

Recommendation

Historic England broadly welcomes these proposals and is content for the application to 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



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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

Alasdair Young

Inspector of Historic Buildings and Areas



