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Application Ref: 2016/2884/P
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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Full Planning Permission Granted

Address:

National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery Queen Square LONDON WC1N 3BG

Proposal:

Restorative alterations to two basement windows on the front elevation of Albany Wing, to include removal of ventilation units and timber boarding from the upper sash of both windows and replacement with glazing and glazing bars.

Drawing Nos: Prefix: [QSST-MAA-002-B1-DR-A-] 0010/P01, 001/P01, (as existing:) 0020/P01, 0030/P01, (as proposed:) 0200/P01, 0290/P01.

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

Condition(s) and Reason(s):

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).



All new external work shall be carried out in materials that resemble, as closely as possible, in colour and texture those of the existing building, 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 policy DP24 and DP25 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: Prefix: [QSST-MAA-002-B1-DR-A-] 0010/P01, 001/P01, (as existing:) 0020/P01, 0030/P01, (as proposed:) 0200/P01, 0290/P01.

Reason:

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

Informative(s):

- 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).
- 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. No. 020 7974 4444 or on the website http://www.camden.gov.uk/ccm/content/contacts/council-contacts/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.
- 3 Reasons for granting permission:

The proposed restorative works are to two windows in the basement of Albany wing, within the buildings main façade (southwest elevation) that look into a lightwell. The works aim to restore the windows to their original appearance.

The existing upper sash of each window has been covered with plywood, upon which a circular mechanical ventilation unit has been mounted. It is unclear if the original glazing bars of the upper sash have been removed. The remainder upper sash framing (stiles and rails) are intact. The proposal is to remove the circular

mechanical ventilation unit and plywood boarding from the upper sash of both windows, and reinstate the glazing. Joinery, including glazing bars, will be reinstated as necessary depending on their condition.

A window immediately adjacent to the two windows upon which the work is proposed will be used as the reference for the original appearance of the window's upper sash. New materials will match that of the lower sash, including the arrangement of glazing panels. Glazing in the left-hand window is arranged into two vertical sections, whereas it is arranged into three vertical sections in right hand window.

This development is welcome and will contribute to the preservation of the listed building and its special architectural setting as well as to the character and appearance of the Bloomsbury Conservation Area. The proposed works do not have amenity implications on adjoining occupiers, in terms of loss of light, outlook, enclosure or privacy.

No objections have been received prior to making this decision. The sites 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 its setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses. 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.66 and s.72 of the Planning (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 and DP26 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 2016 and paragraphs 14, 17, 56-68 and 126-141 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

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

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