

Pears Building Royal Free Hospital

Proposed Structural Monitoring Works

Nos. 5-13 Pond Street

Monitoring of movement in listed buildings adjacent to significant development sites is a normal and sensible precaution designed to help ensure the wellbeing of the heritage asset.

In this instance, monitoring has been required by the S.106 Agreement arising from the planning permission granted in respect of the Pears Building.

As the information accompanying the listed building consent for the monitoring works shows, the installation of the monitoring equipment on the 5 Grade II buildings that form this terrace can be carried out without harming the fabric of the listed building.

The work is temporary and fully reversible, and thus will have no long-term effect on the special interest of the listed building.

As such, the proposed works will clearly preserve the special architectural and historic interest of the Grade I listed building, the setting of other listed structures and the character and appearance of the Hampstead Conservation Area.

The works therefore comply with S.66(1) and S.72(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

They do not lead to 'substantial' harm or any meaningful level of 'less than substantial' harm to any heritage assets.

For these reasons also, the proposed development is consistent with the National Planning Policy Framework and Camden's Local Development Framework policies regarding development in conservation areas, and in particular, Policy DP25.