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Application Ref: **2016/4100/P**
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19 October 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Full Planning Permission Granted

Address:

**British Museum
Great Russell Street
London
WC1B 3DG**

Proposal:

Formation of new opening through external wall of the north east entrance to maintain staff/pedestrian access.

Drawing Nos: AL1/1; SK 1/3; SK 1/2; SK 1/1; Design and Access Statement.

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

Condition(s) and Reason(s):

- 1 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).



- 2 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.

- 3 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: AL1/1; SK 1/3; SK 1/2; SK 1/1; Design and Access Statement.

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

Informative(s):

- 1 Reasons for granting permission.

The proposal is for the formation of a new opening through the external wall of the northeast entrance. The works will provide an access route for staff through the King Edward VII building to the service roads around the site which have previously been blocked by the installation of new vehicle barriers. The barriers were the subject of a separate application and form part of on-going security upgrade works to protect the safety of the museum, its exhibits and visitors.

The new opening would be located adjacent to the existing access to the staircase turret and the new hardwood door would be in keeping with the existing turret door. The external alterations are minor and of a functional nature, affecting a back-of-house area and as such would not harm the special interest of the grade I listed King Edward VII Building or the Bloomsbury Conservation Area.

Due to the nature of the works it is considered that the proposal would not have any impact upon the amenities of neighbouring properties.

Public consultation was undertaken by placement of a press notice and site notice, whereby no responses were received. The site's planning history was taken into account when coming to this decision.

Special attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the Conservation Area, under s.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 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. The proposed development also

- accords with the London Plan 2016 and the National Planning Policy Framework.
- 2 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).

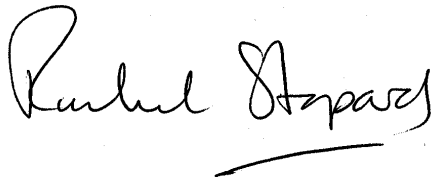
 - 3 Noise from demolition and construction works is subject to control under the Control of Pollution Act 1974. You must carry out any building works that can be heard at the boundary of the site only between 08.00 and 18.00 hours Monday to Friday and 08.00 to 13.00 on Saturday and not at all on Sundays 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.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rachel Stopard', with a horizontal line underneath.

Rachel Stopard
Executive Director Supporting Communities