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> Application Ref: 2016/5806/P Please ask for: Robert Lester Telephone: 020 7974 2188

13 January 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

#### **DECISION**

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

# **Full Planning Permission Granted**

Address:

St Marks Church St Mark's Square London NW1 7TN

### Proposal:

Installation of 8 no. antennas located within upper windows of the church tower behind replacement louvres, internal cabinets, cabling and ancillary development.

Drawing Nos: 100E, 201E, 202E, 301E, 302E, 401E, 402E, 403E, 404E, 501E, 502E, ICNIRP Certificate, Heritage Impact Assessment, Supporting Technical Information

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).



The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans 100E, 201E, 202E, 301E, 302E, 401E, 402E, 403E, 404E, 501E, 502E, ICNIRP Certificate, Heritage Impact Assessment, Supporting Technical Information.

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

3 The apparatus hereby approved shall be removed from the building as soon as reasonably practicable when no longer required and any works of making good shall be carried out to match the original work as closely as possible in materials and detailed execution.

Reason: In order to safeguard the appearance of the building and local environment in accordance with the requirements of policy CS14 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and policies DP24 and DP25 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Development Policies.

Details of the number, size, position and detailed design of the replacement louvres and the colour finish of the antennas and supporting structure shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority prior to the commencement of the development. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details, which shall be retained thereafter, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority.

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.

## Informative(s):

1 Reason for Granting Permission

The proposed antennas would be located within 4 existing window openings at upper level in the church spire. These openings are narrow vertical apertures containing angled slate louvres and are a historic feature of the building. The proposed antennas would be mounted within the existing openings screened behind replacement fibreglass louvres. The other ancillary development including cabling and cabinets would all be located internally within the building.

The telecommunications development would effectively replicate the appearance of the existing window openings and would not have a harmful impact on the character and appearance of the building. Overall, the proposal would preserve the character and appearance of the building and the conservation area. A condition has been attached requiring details of the number, size, positioning and detailed

design, including appearance, of the replacement louvres as well as the colour of the antennas to be submitted.

There is a need for additional telecommunications services in this area and an ICNIRP certificate has been submitted demonstrating that electromagnetic signals would be within guidelines levels.

The development would be located within the existing church spire and would have no amenity impact in terms of daylight, sunlight or outlook.

The Primrose Hill Conservation Area Advisory Committee has suggested that the applicant enter into a legal agreement to remove the equipment fully and the building made good at the end of the contract period. A condition is considered the appropriate mechanism to ensure that this is undertaken and has been attached to the permission. The planning history of the site has been taken into account when coming to this decision.

No listed building consent is required for these works as the church has Ecclesiastical Exemption and would need to apply for Faculty Consent from the Church Diocese.

Special attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the listed building and conservation area under s.66 and s.72 of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990.

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 the London Plan 2016 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.

- 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.

In relation to planning condition 3, the existing slate louvres shall be safely stored on site and shall be reinstalled to match the existing arrangement once the telecommunications equipment hereby approved is no longer required on the site.

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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**Executive Director Supporting Communities**