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Application Ref: **2017/1348/A**  
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Dear Sir/Madam

## **DECISION**

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

### **Advertisement Consent Granted**

Address:  
**The O2 Centre**  
**255 Finchley Road**  
**London**  
**NW3 6LU**

Proposal:  
Display of 1x internally illuminated lettering sign, 1x non-illuminated panel, 1x vinyl to existing banner and 2x vinyls to existing freestanding sign at entrance to car park.  
Drawing Nos:

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

Conditions and Reasons:

- 1 No advertisement is to be displayed without the permission of the owner of the site or any other person with an interest in the site entitled to grant permission.

Reason: - As required by regulation 2(1) and Schedule 2 of the Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007.

- 2 No advertisement shall be sited or displayed so as to



- (a) endanger persons using any highway, railway, waterway, dock, harbour or aerodrome (civil or military);
- (b) obscure, or hinder the ready interpretation of any traffic sign, railway signal or aid to navigation by water or air; or
- (c) hinder the operation of any device used for the purpose of security or surveillance or for measuring the speed of any vehicle

Reason: - As required by regulation 2(1) and Schedule 2 of the Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007.

- 3 Any advertisement displayed and any site used for the display of advertisements, shall be maintained in a condition that does not impair the visual amenity of the site.

Reason: - As required by regulation 2(1) and Schedule 2 of the Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007.

- 4 Any structure or hoarding erected or used principally for the purpose of displaying advertisements shall be maintained in a safe condition.

Reason: - As required by regulation 2(1) and Schedule 2 of the Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007.

- 5 Where an advertisement is required under these Regulations to be removed, the site shall be left in a condition that does not endanger the public or impair visual amenity.

Reason: - As required by regulation 2(1) and Schedule 2 of the Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007.

#### Informative(s):

- 1 Reasons for granting permission.

The proposed signs are considered acceptable in terms of size, location and method of illumination. The proposed advertisements are replacing existing signs and only increasing in number by one illuminated sign. The positions of the signs would not be considered unduly dominant in the locality due to character of a retail park. There is a variety of existing signage including illumination located on the commercial units in the area so the impact on the visual amenity of the area would not be considered harmful.

Following officer advice, the proposal has been amended to limit illumination to lettering only and whilst there would be some light spill, the signs location is typical for the commercial area and at a level of illumination that would not be considered significantly harmful.

In terms of size, siting and method of illumination the proposal is not considered detrimental to highways safety as the signs would be seen only by drivers within

the retail area where they are in a typical location. As such, the signs are not considered to be hazardous to vehicular or pedestrian traffic and therefore raise no public safety concerns.

The site's planning history has been taken into account when coming to this decision.

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, policies DP24 and DP26 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Development Policies, policies 2 and 13 of the Fortune Green and West Hampstead Neighbourhood Development Plan 2015 and policies A1, D4 and T1 of the Camden Local Plan Submission Draft 2016. The proposed development also accords with the policies of the London Plan 2016, The National Planning Policy Framework 2012.

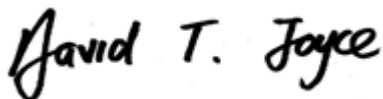
- 2 The emerging London Borough of Camden Local Plan is reaching the final stages of its public examination. Consultation on proposed modifications to the Submission Draft Local Plan began on 30 January and ended on 13 March 2017. The modifications have been proposed in response to Inspector's comments during the examination and seek to ensure that the Inspector can find the plan 'sound' subject to the modifications being made to the Plan. The Local Plan at this stage is a material consideration in decision making, but pending publication of the Inspector's report into the examination only has limited weight.

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 in regard to your rights of appeal at:

<http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent>

Yours faithfully



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