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RE-INSTATEMENT OF WINDOWS AND DOORS

METHOD STATEMENTS FOR DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS

The main documents referred to are Application ref: 2014/1313/L – Decision, & Application ref: 2013/5764/P – Decision unless otherwise referred to in the text or footnotes.

In all cases the SPAB philosophy on replacement of original material will apply, that is <u>the</u> minimum replacement of original material.

The Elms, Fitzroy Park Highgate

5 (d) Re-instatement of all window and external doors in the 1840s and 1860s house

- Detailed drawings will be drawn up and submitted to London Borough of Camden (LBC) for approval before any works will be undertaken. These drawings will show all details as required by LBC including sections of missing and degraded timber, profiles, cross sections and elevations as set out in the decision letters dated 20th July 2015.
- 2. Where the timber of the windows and doors is in good condition, and all joints are tight, there will be no need to dismantle these elements.
- 3. Where timber is degraded and/or joints are loose or open the elements will be dismantled as required to undertake the repairs.
- 4. The degraded paint will be removed to expose the true condition of the timber beneath. Due to the presence of lead in the paint this process will be carried out using a poultice system, probably 'Peelaway 7', which does not require neutralizing after paint removal. Residues will be collected by vacuum on a daily basis and all bags will be sealed prior to disposal via a recognized 'Toxic waste' disposal system. The surface of the exposed timber will be lightly sanded when dry, this will be carried out 'wet', using mineral spirits, to control dust, while not effecting the dimensions of the wood.
- 5. On some elements it may not be necessary to remove all the old paint and in these situations the surface of the paint will be sanded to produce the required surface for redecoration. Again, this will be carried out 'wet', using mineral spirits to control dust potentially containing lead particles.
- 6. Missing elements will be replicated using the agreed philosophy while retaining the maximum amount of original material.
- 7. If any discrepancy exists between the submitted drawings and the condition of the timber found after paint removal LBC will be notified before any further work commences.

- 8. Cutters will be made up to replicate the profiles of missing mouldings. The missing mouldings will be replicated from extant sections of the same type of moulding on the same element if possible, if not possible then the profiles will be replicated from the same moulding on other similar elements.
- 9. A sample of all replaced mouldings will be kept for reference. These samples will be identified as to where they originated from and the position of the moulding.
- 10. All timber used in the fabrication of missing elements will be of reclaimed timber to match the original in type and grain density wherever possible.
- 11. Any patch repairs installed will NOT be square sectioned but will be lozenge or diagonal cut ins to better hide any joints and to provide a better glue surface with the original timber.
- 12. If there are any variations from the originally supplied drawings these will be marked up on copies of the previously supplied drawings and submitted to LBC.

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