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Application Ref: **2017/1875/L**  
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Dear Sir/Madam

## **DECISION**

Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

### **Listed Building Consent Granted**

Address:  
**13 Ampton Street**  
**London**  
**WC1X 0LT**

Proposal:

Installation of sound reducing flooring underlay and associated hardwood thresholds.

Drawing Nos: 6214-AS13 (OSmap), 6214-AS13 (Block Plan), 6214-AS13-E02 (existing ground floor), 6214-AS13-E03 (existing first floor), 6214-AS13-E04 (existing second floor), 6214-AS13-F02 (proposed finishes ground floor), 6214-AS13-F03 (proposed finishes first floor), 6214-AS13-F04 (proposed finishes second floor), 6214-FAC-D204 (flooring/hardwood threshold details), 6214-AS13-D&A (Design & Access Statement)

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

Conditions And Reasons:

- 1 The works hereby permitted shall be begun not later than the end of three years from the date of this consent.

Reason: In order to comply with the provisions of Section 18 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.



- 2 The works hereby approved are only those specifically indicated on the drawing(s) referred to above.

Reason: In order to safeguard the special architectural and historic interest of the building in accordance with the requirements of policy CS14 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy and policy DP25 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Development Policies.

Informative(s):

- 1 Reasons for granting listed building consent:

The site is a 19th-century terraced townhouse, converted into social housing flats and listed at grade II. It is situated within the Bloomsbury Conservation Area.

The applicant proposes to add a sound-deadening board above the existing floorboards in rooms where activities are incompatible with those in rooms directly below, e.g. where living rooms are above bedrooms. To avoid the resulting build-ups creating steps between rooms, timber thresholds are proposed. These will be cut around the decorative woodwork and door stops. Consequently, a small section of the bottoms of some doors may need to be cut off. However, if the houses come back into single use and the thresholds are removed, it will be possible to reverse the work and fit sections back to the bottom of the doors.

On balance, the small amount of reversible harm is outweighed by the benefits to the tenants in noise reduction and the proposed works will not harm the special interest of the grade-II-listed building.

No public consultation was necessary for this application. The site's planning history has been taken into account in making this decision.

Special attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving the special interest of the listed building, under s.16 of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990 as amended by the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act (ERR) 2013

As such, the proposal is in general accordance with policy CS14 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Core Strategy, policies DP24 and DP25 of the London Borough of Camden Local Development Framework Development Policies, and policies D1 and D2 of the emerging London Borough of Camden Local Plan. The proposed development also accords with policy 7.8 of the London Plan 2016 consolidated with amendments since 2011, and paragraphs 14, 17 and 126-141 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

The Inspector's report on the Council's emerging Local Plan was published on 15 May 2017 and concludes that the plan is 'sound' subject to modifications being made to the Plan. While the determination of planning applications should continue to be made in accordance with the existing development plan until formal adoption,

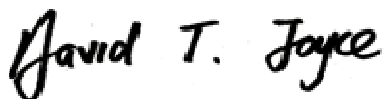
substantial weight may now be attached to the relevant policies of the emerging plan as a material consideration following publication of the Inspector's report, subject to any relevant recommended modifications in the Inspector's report.

- 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, 5 Pancras Square, London N1C 4AG (tel: 020-7974 6941).
- 3 You are advised that any works of alterations or upgrading not included on the approved drawings which are required to satisfy Building Regulations or Fire Certification may require a further application for listed building consent.

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 that reads "David T. Joyce". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

David Joyce  
Director of Regeneration and Planning