

Application ref: 2019/0334/HS2  
Contact: Alan Wito  
Tel: 020 7974 6392  
Date: 22 January 2019

**Development Management**  
Regeneration and Planning  
London Borough of Camden  
Town Hall  
Judd Street  
London  
WC1H 9JE

Phone: 020 7974 4444

[planning@camden.gov.uk](mailto:planning@camden.gov.uk)  
[www.camden.gov.uk/planning](http://www.camden.gov.uk/planning)

HS2 Ltd  
1 Eversholt Street  
London  
NW1 2DN

Dear Sir/Madam

## DECISION

### High Speed Rail (London - West Midlands) Act 2017

#### Schedule 18 - Heritage Agreement Approval

Address:

**Monument to the Christie family**  
**St James's Gardens**  
**Cardington Street**  
**London NW1**

Proposal:

Heritage Agreement Method Statement for the dismantling and storage of the monument to the Christie family in St James's Gardens

Drawing Nos: Dismantling and Storage of the Monument to the Christie Family in St James's Gardens (1EW02-CSJ-EV-PRO-S003-000004 Rev: C02)

The Council as the Local Planning Authority & Qualifying Authority within the meaning of the above Act has **granted** permission.

Informative(s):

- 1 This application has been submitted by HS2 Ltd and seeks approval by Camden for of the Dismantling and Storage Method Statement for the Monument to the Christie Family.

The grade II listed monument to the Christie family is situated in the south-west corner of the former burial ground of St James' Gardens, Cardington Street, which was opened in 1788, and was a public garden from 1887 until June 2017. The site is not within a conservation area. The monument dates from

the mid-19th century and is to James Christie, d. 1803, founder of the auction house, and several members of his family. It consists of a grey granite cross with a square plinth bearing inscriptions on each side and with four cross-bars with semi-circular arms. The monument is very prominent within the gardens.

HS2 Ltd entered into a Heritage Agreement with Camden and Historic England dated 5 May 2017 that requires HS2 Ltd to submit method statements concerning the relocation of the monument to the Council for approval.

Part 2.1 of Schedule 1A of the Heritage Agreement sets out requirements for the content of method statements recording the monument, its setting and constructional details in accordance with Historic England guidance. This application was approved by Camden on 16/7/17 (ref: 2017/4380/HS2).

Further applications will be required for Part 2.2 c) and d) of Schedule 1A for the process for the identifying an appropriate site for re-erection and re-assembly of the monument in the future.

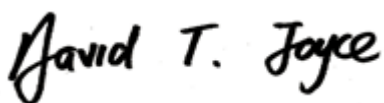
For this application the submitted method statement sets out how the monument will be carefully taken down course by course by skilled masons under the supervision of HS2's Built Heritage Specialist. It will then be stored within padded wooden cases which will minimise the risk of any accidental damage during transportation and storage.

Once dismantled it will be stored in Christie's secure storage facility in London until it is required for relocation. Christie's have extensive knowledge of handling and storing older fragile items due to the nature of their business. Also as the monument is dedicated to members of the Christie family it is appropriate and respectful that they take temporary guardianship of it.

At the time of submission HS2 Ltd notified Historic England and the national amenity bodies of the submission of the application to Camden as well as copies of the documents. These organisations have six weeks to respond to Camden. This is in line with Section 2.4 of the Heritage Agreement. One response was received from Historic England supporting the approach taken to protect the monument during construction work.

The scope and content the submitted Dismantling and Storage Method Statement for the Monument to the Christie Family meets the requirements of Part 2.2 a) and b) of Schedule 18 (Work to Listed Buildings) to warrant approval by Camden.

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