**THE FORUM**

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**Overview**

Heritage Category:

Listed Building

Grade:

II

List Entry Number:

1379018

Date first listed:

14-May-1990

Statutory Address:

THE FORUM, HIGHGATE ROAD

**Map**

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**Location**

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THE FORUM, HIGHGATE ROAD

The building or site itself may lie within the boundary of more than one authority.

County:

Greater London Authority

District:

Camden (London Borough)

National Grid Reference:

TQ 28901 85329

**Details**

CAMDEN

TQ2885SE HIGHGATE ROAD 798-1/42/863 (West side) 14/05/90 The Forum

GV II

Formerly known as: Town and Country Club (formerly Forum Cinema) KENTISH TOWN ROAD. Cinema, now in use as a concert hall. 1934. By J Stanley Beard and WR Bennett. Steel frame clad in brick with faience front. Plan of double-height auditorium with balcony reached via single-storey entrance hall and foyers. EXTERIOR: 3 storey, 7-bay front in Egyptian style. Later C20 doors to black faience ground floor. Decorative metal glazing to windows; those to 5-bay central feature are separated by giant order of 6 half-columns with streamlined acanthus capitals. Heavy moulded parapet and cornice continued across flanking towers of outer bays. INTERIOR: foyer has foliate cornice, fluted capitals to piers and staircases to upper foyer which has Pompeian-style capitals to piers, Victorian scroll cornice, decorative metal panels flanking doorways to circle and cigar-shaped ceiling; access to front tearoom (a rare survival) with panelling, moulded plasterwork and decorative iron grilles. Auditorium in Roman style has heavily fluted proscenium arch and flanking side walls, with shields and banners to spandrels; fluted side walls have grilles decorated in Roman style with urns (damaged at time of listing), and legionary standards having Roman medallions and eagles on top. Friezes of centurions and chariots to rest of side walls. Ceiling has central dome surrounded by coffering with original circular light brackets/ventilators. Panelled exit doors. Later C20 stairs, in matching style, from stalls to balcony.

Listing NGR: TQ2890185329

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