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Dear Sir/Madam

## **DECISION**

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

### **Advertisement Consent Granted**

Address: 19-21 Great Queen Street London WC2B 5BF

#### Proposal:

Display of a non-illuminated fascia sign and externally illuminated projecting sign

Drawing Nos: OS Map Site Plan; OS Map Location Plan; Design and Access Statement; 235.0 01 Existing Ground Floor Plan; 235.0 02 Existing Lower Ground Floor; 235.0 04 Existing Store Front; 235.0 05 Rev B Proposed Storefront Elevations and Sections.

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.

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.

6 External artificial lighting at the development shall not exceed lux levels of vertical illumination at neighbouring premises that are recommended by the Institution of Lighting Professionals in the 'Guidance Notes Reduction of Obtrusive Light'. Lighting should be minimized and glare and sky glow should be prevented by correctly using, locating, aiming and shielding luminaires, in accordance with the Guidance Notes.

Reason: To ensure that the amenity of occupiers of surrounding premises is not adversely affected by lighting.

# Informative(s):

1 Reason for granting permission-

The externally illuminated projecting sign is considered appropriate in terms of design and materials and would be in keeping with the character and scale of the building and the character of the commercial frontage along this part of Great Queen Street and the Seven Dials (Covent Garden) Conservation Area.

The non-illuminated fascia sign would be painted jet black satin finish and feature silver and brass painted text and a silver brand logo which is considered acceptable in terms of scale, design and materials.

Whilst the externally illuminated projecting sign have some impact in terms of light spill, the advertisements are in a typical position and at a low level of illumination and are not considered unduly dominant in this commercial locality. They are not considered to disturb neighbouring occupiers nor would they be harmful to either pedestrians or vehicular safety.

No objections have been received as a result of the statutory consultation. The LPAs conservation officer has raised no objection to the proposal. The site's planning history has been taken into account when coming to this decision.

Considerable importance and weight has been attached to the harm and special attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the conservation area, under s.72 of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990 as amended by the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act (ERR) 2013.

As such, the proposed development is in general accordance with policy D4 (Advertisements) of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017. The proposed development also accords with The London Plan 2016 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2019.

In dealing with the application, the Council has sought to work with the applicant in a positive and proactive way in accordance with paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2019.

You can find advice in regard to your rights of appeal at: <a href="http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent">http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent</a>

Yours faithfully

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