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Dear Sir/Madam

## **DECISION**

Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

### **Listed Building Consent Granted**

Address:  
**British Telecom**  
**BT Tower**  
**Cleveland Mews**  
**London**  
**W1T 4JZ**

Proposal: Removal of 1 x 0.8m dish antenna; installation of 1 x 2.9m dipole antenna, with associated fixings and tie-backs to a new kingpost; alterations to the internal equipment cabinet.

Drawing Nos: SHT O1 of 04; SHT O2 of 04; SHT O3 of 04; SHT O4 of 04; SHT O2 OF 07; SHT O3 OF 07; SHT O4 OF 07; SHT O5 OF 07; SHT O6 OF 07; SHT O7 OF 07;  
Planning, Heritage and Design & Access Statement (dated October 2019)

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 development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: SHT O1 of 04; SHT O2 of 04; SHT O3 of 04; SHT O4 of 04; SHT O2 OF 07; SHT O3 OF 07; SHT O4 OF 07; SHT O5 OF 07; SHT O6 OF 07; SHT O7 OF 07; Planning, Heritage and Design & Access Statement (dated October 2019).

Reason: In order to safeguard the special architectural and historic interest of the building in accordance with the requirements of policy D2 of the Camden Local Plan 2017.

- 3 All new work and work of making good shall be carried out to match the existing adjacent work as closely as possible in materials and detailed execution.

Reason: In order to safeguard the special architectural and historic interest of the building in accordance with the requirements of policy D2 of the Camden Local Plan 2017.

#### Informative(s):

- 1 Reasons for granting

The proposed dipole antenna would be located at the gallery level of the building which is over 167 metres above ground level. The steel post to which it would be attached would measure 3.8 metres tall and would be attached with steel tie-backs to the tower wall. The new antenna would be located on the southern side of the building. There are similar existing structures on the western side.

The proposed antenna would be viewed in the context of other antennae attached to support poles and, given their elevated position and size, they are unlikely to be prominent when viewed from street level. Even when viewed at close range, it is not considered that the proposed antennae would appear visually obtrusive or contribute to visual clutter at the building. The proposals would not affect the silhouette of the building and the digital display would not be affected either. The removal of a dish antenna is not considered to cause harm either.

It is considered that the proposals would preserve the special interest of the listed building. Historically, the BT Tower has always played a role in telecommunications and it was always the intention that its appearance would change and adapt over time. The number of antennae at the building has reduced in recent years.

No objections have been raised in relation to the works. The application site's planning history and relevant appeal decisions were taken into account when coming to this decision.

Special regard has been attached to the desirability of preserving the listed building and its features of special architectural or historic interest, under s.16 of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990 as amended by the

Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act (ERR) 2013.

The proposed development is in general accordance with Policy D2 of the Camden Local Plan 2017. The proposed development also accords with the London Plan 2016, the Draft New London Plan 2019; and the provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2019.

- 2 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.
- 3 This approval does not authorise the use of the public highway. Any requirement to use the public highway, such as for hoardings, temporary road closures and suspension of parking bays, will be subject to approval of relevant licence from the Council's Streetworks Authorisations & Compliance Team London Borough of Camden 5 Pancras Square c/o Town Hall, Judd Street London WC1H 9JE (Tel. No 020 7974 4444) . Licences and authorisations need to be sought in advance of proposed works. Where development is subject to a Construction Management Plan (through a requirement in a S106 agreement), no licence or authorisation will be granted until the Construction Management Plan is approved by the Council.
- 4 All works should be conducted in accordance with the Camden Minimum Requirements - a copy is available on the Council's website at <https://beta.camden.gov.uk/documents/20142/1269042/Camden+Minimum+Requirements+%281%29.pdf/bb2cd0a2-88b1-aa6d-61f9-525ca0f71319> or contact the Council's Noise and Licensing Enforcement Team, 5 Pancras Square c/o Town Hall, Judd Street London WC1H 9JE (Tel. No. 020 7974 4444)

Noise from demolition and construction works is subject to control under the Control of Pollution Act 1974. You must carry out any building works that can be heard at the boundary of the site only between 08.00 and 18.00 hours Monday to Friday and 08.00 to 13.00 on Saturday and not at all on Sundays and Public Holidays. You must secure the approval of the Council's Noise and Licensing Enforcement Team prior to undertaking such activities outside these hours.

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 about your rights of appeal at:

<http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent>

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DPope', is positioned in the upper left corner of the page.

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