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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Full Planning Permission Granted

Address:

BT Tower
Cleveland Mews
London
W1T 4JZ

Proposal:

Installation of two 0.9m antennae dishes on top of tower

Drawing Nos: Site Location Plan (Rev A); WL4005701 SHT 01 of 02; WL4005701 SHT 02 of 02; WL4005702

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

Condition(s) and Reason(s):

- 1 The development hereby permitted must be begun not later than the end of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: In order to comply with the provisions of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

- 2 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: Site Location Plan (Rev A); WL4005701 SHT 01 of

02; WL4005701 SHT 02 of 02; WL4005702.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interest of proper planning.

- 3 The colour of the proposed microwave antenna shall match as closely as possible the background, or the part of the building to which it is attached. The supporting mount shall be designed to be as unobtrusive as possible, and should be painted the same colour as the antenna.

Reason: In order to minimize the impact on the appearance of the building and local environment in accordance with the requirements of policies D1 and D2 of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

- 4 The apparatus hereby approved shall be removed from the building as soon as reasonably practicable when no longer required.

Reason: In order to minimize the impact on the appearance of the building and local environment in accordance with the requirements of policies D1 and D2 of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

Informative(s):

- 1 Reasons for granting permission-

The proposed 0.9 metre antennae dishes would be located at Level T37 of the tower, approximately 171 metres above ground level (above the rotating digital display element). The new antennae would be located on the northern side of the building, attached to a single mast.

The proposed antennae would be largely viewed against the backdrop of the tower itself and they would be viewed in the context of other existing antennae on the building. Given their size and elevated position, they are unlikely to be prominent features. Even when viewed at close range, it is not considered that the proposed antennae would appear unduly obtrusive or contribute to visual clutter at the building.

It is not considered that the proposal would cause harm to the character and appearance of the adjacent conservation areas (Fitzroy Square and Charlotte Street) and 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.

It is not considered that the proposed development would cause any harm to the residential amenities of nearby and neighbouring properties. 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 attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the conservation area, and to the desirability of preserving the listed building and its features of special architectural or historic interest, under s.66 and s.72 of The Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 as amended by the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013.

The proposed development is in general accordance with policies A1, E1, D1 and D2 of the Camden Local Plan 2017. The proposed development also accords with the London Plan 2016 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2019.

- 2 Your proposals may be subject to control under the Building Regulations and/or the London Buildings Acts that 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, Camden Town Hall, Judd St, Kings Cross, London NW1 2QS (tel: 020-7974 6941).
- 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:

Yours faithfully

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Daniel Pope
Chief Planning Officer