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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

Listed Building Consent Granted

Address:

The Chapel
The Honourable Society Of Lincoln's Inn
Lincoln's Inn Fields
London
WC2A 3TL

Proposal:

Removal of polycarbonate sheeting in front of three chapel windows on the north side and the replacement in two of the windows with external protective glazing. Restoration of window niii (The Bulter Window).

Drawing Nos: 0685.S.000 Location and Block Plan; 0685.SK.001 Existing North Elevation; 0685.SK.002 Proposed North Elevation; Design and Heritage Statement; Historic Building Assessment; Proposals for the Conservation and Environmental Protection of Window niii (The Butler Window) Lincoln's Inn Chapel London;

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:

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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 listed building consent (delegated):

The current Chapel at Lincoln's Inn was built in 1619-23. The windows of the chapel are one of the most important and well-preserved schemes of early seventeenth century stained glass in the UK.

Air raid damage to the fine glass in 1915 necessitated restoration and major redecoration was undertaken in the 1930s. The Chapel again sustained war damage (to the roof and plain glass) in the 1940s.

The Chapel was listed Grade I in 1951.

The proposal is for the removal of the polycarbonate protective sheeting on windows niii, niv and nv and its replacement with new glazing, enabling the external ferramenta and the intended character of the window to be revealed.

Window niii (The Butler Window) is to be temporarily removed to enable studio-based conservation and subsequently reinstated with in situ environmental protection to safeguard against future deterioration and prolong the life of the stained glass.

The application has been advertised in the press and by means of a site notice.

Historic England issued a letter of authorisation for the case, which was stamped by the NPCU.

Bloomsbury CAAC were consulted and issued a letter of support.

The site's planning history has been taken into account when making 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 Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 as amended by the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act (ERR) 2013.

As such, the proposal is in general accordance with policy D2 of the Camden Local Plan 2017. The proposed development also accords with the London Plan 2021 and the National Planning Policy Framework.

- 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.

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 written over a light grey rectangular background.

Daniel Pope
Chief Planning Officer