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Planning, Heritage and Design & Access Statement

Proposed flagpole and flag to front facade

Disraeli House, 6 Bloomsbury Square, London, WC1A 2LP

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Introduction

This Statement has been prepared to support the proposed installation of a flagpole and flag to the front of No.6 Bloomsbury Square. Please refer to the proposed front elevation and section as illustrated in drawing 2104_G200_ES_01_001.

Existing Building and Location

The property is located in the Bloomsbury Conservation Area on the south western corner of Bloomsbury Square at the corner of Bloomsbury Way. 6 Bloomsbury Square was listed Grade II* in October 1951 along with No.5, 5a and attached railings and lampholder; the list description is noted below.

The listing description is as follows (from Historic England);

“TQ3081NW BLOOMSBURY SQUARE 798-1/100/100 (West side) 24/10/51 Nos.5, 5A AND 6 and attached railings and lamp-holder (Formerly Listed as: BLOOMSBURY SQUARE Nos.5 AND 6)

*GV II**

Two houses, now in three units: No.6 facing Bloomsbury Square, Nos 5 and 5A main facade on Bloomsbury Way with return to Bloomsbury Square. 1744. By Henry Flitcroft. Possibly built by JI Devall. Darkened multi-coloured stock brick. Stone bracketed cornice below brick parapet and stone band at 1st floor level. Tiled roof with dormers. 3 storeys, attic and basement. Nos 5 and 5a: symmetrical facade in Bloomsbury Way with No.23 Bloomsbury Way (qv). 7 windows (right hand two blind), 3-window return to Bloomsbury Square. Pedimented centre bay slightly projecting with round arched entrance doorway with stone archivolt and band at springing, patterned fanlight and panelled door. To either side of door, sashes with keystone blocks. Above, at first floor level, round-headed sash flanked by 2 narrow square-headed sashes, all with stone sill band. 2nd floor with Diocletian type window. Gauged brick flat arches to recessed sash windows with stucco archivolts, some with original glazing bars. Right hand wing blind apart from left hand 2nd floor window. Lead rainwater heads and pipes. INTERIOR: some original panelled rooms and fireplaces; stone staircase with balustrade restored to original design. SUBSIDIARY FEATURES: attached cast-iron railings with urn finials to areas. No.6: 3 windows. Stone architraved doorcase with console bracketed cornice, wood pilaster-jambs to door frame, fanlight and panelled, part glazed, door. Gauged brick flat arches to recessed sash windows with stucco archivolts, some with original glazing bars. INTERIOR: noted to contain some original panelling and features. Staircase altered early C20. SUBSIDIARY FEATURES: attached cast-iron railings to areas with urn finials and overthrow lamp-holder. HISTORICAL NOTE: No.6 was home, in his youth of Isaac Disraeli, father of Benjamin Disraeli (GLC plaque)”

Please refer to photo overleaf;

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Fig. 1.1

External Facade 6 Bloomsbury Square

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Planning History

The relevant planning history for the property has been set out below;

1. *Reference 2016/1505/P - APPROVED*

Alterations to include the removal of cupboards from basement room B.9 and relocation of kitchen and WC from basement room B.6 to room B.9 under reference 2015/0930/P dated 02/09/2015 for the refurbishment of a four storey and basement Grade II office building including internal alterations, upgrade of mechanical and electrical services, new lift, roof condenser and proposed single storey rear extension at lower ground floor level*

2. *Reference 2016/1493/L - APPROVED*

Revisions to basement plan as approved in Listed Building Consent 2015/1269/L, dated 2 September 2015, and proposed re-covering of 3 fireplace surrounds.

3. *Reference 2015/0935/P - APPROVED*

Refurbishment of a four storey and basement Grade II office building including internal alterations, upgrade of mechanical and electrical services, new lift, roof condensers and proposed single storey rear extension at lower ground floor level.*

4. *Reference 2015/1269/L - APPROVED*

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Relevant Local Precedents

All 3 examples below are within the immediate vicinity of the site.



Fig. 1.2

15 Bloomsbury Square, London, WC1A 2LS

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Fig. 1.3

48 Russell Square, London, WC1B 4JP

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Fig. 1.4

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Impact of Proposal on Heritage Significance

The proposed flagpole and flag will have very little impact to the setting of the listed building and will not detract from any of its architectural character or significance. The flagpole is not a permanent feature and could be very easily removed in the future if necessary.

Access

Access is unchanged from existing arrangements.

Conclusion

We believe the proposal of the flagpole and flag to be a positive addition to the building and consistent with other flags in the immediate vicinity and will not cause any harm to the significance and setting of the listed building.