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Dear Sir/Madam

### **DECISION**

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

# **Full Planning Permission Granted**

Address:

13A-14A Doughty Mews London WC1N 2PG

### Proposal:

Replacement of existing French doors at rear ground floor with metal framed bifold doors and installation of a rooflight on the flat roof to the rear of the property. Minor alterations to front timber doors openings to make the flat accessible.

Drawing Nos: 1481/001; 1481/010; 1481/020; 1481/030; 1481/110B; 1481/111; 1481/120; 1481/302; 1481/413; 1PL\_SMVK\_B; Fineline Bifold Door Specification (x 4 pages); Rooflight specification from the Rooflight Company (x 2 pages); Design and Access Statement dated October 2021 (1481/B1).

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).

All new external work shall be carried out in materials that resemble, as closely as possible, in colour and texture those of the existing building, unless otherwise specified in the approved application.

Reason: To safeguard the appearance of the premises and the character of the immediate area in accordance with the requirements of policies D1 and D2 of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: 1481/001; 1481/010; 1481/020; 1481/030; 1481/110B; 1481/111; 1481/120; 1481/302; 1481/413; 1PL\_SMVK\_B; Fineline Bifold Door Specification (x 4 pages); Rooflight specification from the Rooflight Company (x 2 pages); Design and Access Statement dated October 2021 (1481/B1).

### Reason:

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

## Informative(s):

1 Reason for granting:

The property was built in the early 19th century. It is situated at the end of a long terrace of houses, all of a similar size. The maisonette has been divided with 13A-14A located only on the ground floor level.

It is proposed to replace the existing French doors with a new metal framed bifold doors and install a roof light on the flat roof to the rear of the property.

The proposal also includes minor alterations to the front timber door openings to adapt to internal layout and make the flat accessible.

It appears that the works have already started on site and therefore, they are now part retrospective.

With regard to the front timber door openings, the existing doors will be kept maintaining the existing façade design, however, two of the existing doors will now be the points of access to the property in order to make the access wide enough for wheelchairs users.

Whilst the property is located in the Bloomsbury Conservation Area, the proposed bifold doors and roof light are located at the rear of the property and would not be prominent in public views.

The proposals, as originally submitted included an expanse of glazing which is not characteristic of the Conservation Area, therefore, revisions were sought. The revisions include narrower opening with more wall retained.

Overall, therefore, the proposals are considered to be sympathetic to and in keeping with the existing appearance of the host property in terms of the design, locations, proportions and materials, and would preserve the character and appearance of the building and Bloomsbury Conservation Area in which it is located, and as such, is acceptable.

There are no amenity concerns to neighbouring properties given the proposal would mainly replace existing building features and fenestration.

The site's planning and appeals history has been taken into account when coming to this decision. No objections have been received following statutory consultation.

Special attention has been paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of the Bloomsbury Conservation Area, under s.72 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 policies A1, CC1, D1 and D2 of the Camden Local Plan 2017, the London Plan 2021 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2021.

- 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).
- 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, 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 (search for 'Camden Minimum Requirements' at www.camden,gov.uk) 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 2021.

You can find advice about your rights of appeal at: http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent

Yours faithfully

Daniel Pope

Chief Planning Officer