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Dear Sirs

Application for the removal of condition 5 of application reference 2020/1446/L in relation to the Drinking Fountain, formerly located at Princes Circus

Applications for listed building consent and planning permission for the dismantling and relocation of the grade II listed Princes Circus Drinking Fountain were approved in February 2021.

Condition 5 of the Listed Building Consent decision notice requested:

The water fountain shall be provided with a connection to the water mains in accordance with a method statement to be submitted and approved in writing by the local planning authority prior to its re-installation. The relevant part of the works shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with the details thus approved.

This condition was the subject of discussion during the course of the original application because of the genuine impracticalities and health and safety concerns connected to the drinking fountain and the incompatibility of providing flowing water within the approved public realm works for the area immediately to the west of the Shaftesbury Theatre as part of the West End Project. We are therefore applying to remove this condition so that the fountain can be re-erected as per the original listed building consent. The justification for the removal of this condition is set out in the accompanying statement.

We would be grateful of your early attention to this as the fountain is due to be reerected in the New Year with works programmed for a start on 9 January 2022.

Yours faithfully

Kate Graham Director