Address: 49-50 Chagford Street London NW1 6EB BRYANSTON & DORSET SQUARE WARD

Description: Retention and alterations to uPVC windows to the front elevation of an existing building

and the removal of existing external plastic waste pipework, soil stacks repositioned and

vented through roof and retrofit glazing bars.

Appellant: Abrar Islamic Foundation Al-Jawad, 45 Crawford Place, London, W1H

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Agent: Martin Pottinger, 11 Eton Garages, London, NW3 4PE

**Decision Date:** 26 April 2021 WCC Resolution: 26 April 2021 Procedure: Written Representations PINS Reference: W/20/3262105 **Decision:** Part Allowed: Part Dismissed Case Number: 20/04851/FULL Officer: Max Jones Telephone: 07866036849

Address: 23 Grafton Street London W1S 4EY WEST END WARD

Description: Demolition of rear single storey basement extension, rear ground floor toilet block and rear

external fire escape stairs at ground and first floor levels including those with 22 Grafton Street and erection of new rear two storey extension at basement and ground floor levels. Use of the existing basement and the new extension at basement and ground floor as retail (Class A1). Replacement of front railings and plant installations located under the

proposed walk on grille at the rear of the extension.

Appellant: Mr Adam Wiles, 3rd Floor, 22 Charing Cross Road, London, WC2H

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Agent: Mr Jonathan Bainbridge, Bidwells LLP, Old Burlington Street, LONDON, W1S

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**Decision Date:** 26 April 2021 WCC Resolution: 26 April 2021 Procedure: Written Representations PINS Reference: Y/20/3256672 **Decision:** Allowed Case Number: 19/05568/LBC Officer: Rattan Sehra Telephone: 07866039814

Comments: The applications had been refused on the grounds that the proposed extension, because of

its height, bulk, location and design would harm the special interest of this listed building and the Mayfair Conservation Area. There was also considered to be insufficient acoustic

information to accurately assess the acoustic performance of the proposed plant.

The Inspector noted that the building dates from the late eighteenth century but that it, and the adjoining properties, have been subject to a number of alterations in the past that have compromised its historical character and appearance. Within this context, the proposed removal of existing elements at the rear would declutter the rear yard space, and better reveal the historic rear building line and elevation. In the Inspector's opinion, this would have a positive impact on the special interest of the listed building (as would replacement of the non-original front railings with a design sympathetic to the Georgian character of the building). Use of glass in the roof of the extension would substantially retain visibility of the building's rear external walls and windows, and the roof's modern materials would differentiate the proposed extension from the historic architecture. As such, the proposal would not dominate or obscure the rear elevation of the building, and the legibility of the rear building line of the townhouses would be preserved and would not compromise the integrity of the building's original plan form.

However, the Inspector acknowledged that the enclosure of the appeal building's rear yard by the glass roof would change the nature of the space from an external yard that is unenclosed above, and open to the elements, to an enclosed extension. This would result in loss of the substantive surviving remnant of uncovered yard at the rear of the listed building and host terrace, and internalise the exterior face of the ground floor sash windows. Moreover, the glass roofed enclosure of the yard would diminish the original character of the building and authenticity of relationship between its internal and rear external space. The Inspector thus agreed with Council officers that the proposal would have a negative impact on the special interest of the listed building, but given the overall positive impact, he was satisfied that the proposal was acceptable.

The Inspector considered that the harm to the listed building to be less than substantial in this instance. In his opinion this harm could be weighed against public benefits of the proposal: in this case the creation of 199 sq.m of retail floorspace would provide positive economic stimulus to Mayfair's status as an internationally important centre for the art trade, contributing to the viable future use and upkeep of the listed building. In addition, the proposed replacement of modern front railings with historically sympathetic railings would enhance the character and appearance of the front of the building, the street scene of Grafton Street and the conservation area. The Inspector concluded that these benefits carry

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significant weight that outweigh the harm that would be caused to the heritage asset.

With regard to the proposed plant, the appellant had submitted a revised Acoustic Consultancy Report with the appeal [which should have been submitted with the application]. In the light of this evidence and its assessment by the Council's Environmental Health Officer, the Council considered that noise and vibration control and management is capable of being secured by planning condition. The Inspector agreed and attached a condition covering these matters to protect the living and working conditions of neighbours, as well as a number of other conditions.

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**Decision Date:** 26 April 2021 WCC Resolution: 26 April 2021 Procedure: Written Representations PINS Reference: W/20/3256674 **Decision:** Allowed Case Number: 19/05567/FULL Officer: Rattan Sehra Telephone: 07866039814

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However, the Inspector acknowledged that the enclosure of the appeal building's rear yard by the glass roof would change the nature of the space from an external yard that is unenclosed above, and open to the elements, to an enclosed extension. This would result in loss of the substantive surviving remnant of uncovered yard at the rear of the listed building and host terrace, and internalise the exterior face of the ground floor sash windows. Moreover, the glass roofed enclosure of the yard would diminish the original character of the building and authenticity of relationship between its internal and rear external space. The Inspector thus agreed with Council officers that the proposal would have a negative impact on the special interest of the listed building, but given the overall positive impact, he was satisfied that the proposal was acceptable.

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Address: 17 Hanover Terrace London NW1 4RJ REGENT'S PARK WARD

Description: Removal of existing doors and pilasters to rear ground floor level and replacement with

new door opening and timber doors (LINKED TO 20/03375/LBC).

Appellant: Mr Russell Jacobs, 17, Hanover Terrace, London, NW1 4RJ

Agent: Mr Warren Martin, 94 Ulverscroft Road, LONDON, SE22 9HG

**Decision Date:** 22 April 2021 WCC Resolution: 22 April 2021 Procedure: Written Representations PINS Reference: D/20/3260201 **Decision: Dismissed** Case Number: 20/03374/FULL Officer: Alistair Taylor Telephone: 07866037603

Address: 16 Hugh Street London SW1V 1RP WARWICK WARD

Description: Erection of a mansard roof extension incorporating front and rear dormers, rear extension

at second floor level and new wall, door and window in the basement light-well.

Appellant: Mr Luke Blaxhill, 16, Hugh Street, London, SW1V 1RP

Agent: , No Agent

Decision Date: 28 April 2021 WCC Resolution: 28 April 2021

Procedure: PINS Reference: D/21/3268250

Decision:WithdrawnCase Number:20/06410/FULL

Officer: Heidi Pearce Telephone: 07779431272

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MARYLEBONE HIGH STREET Address: 12 Marylebone Mews London W1G 8PX WARD

Description: Installation of an acoustic enclosure containing two air conditioning condensers to rear of

existing modern mansard roof and replacement window at rear roof level.

Putney Estates Limited, 9 Golden Square, London, W1F 9HZ Appellant:

Agent: Robert Winkley, Rolfe Judd Planning, Old Church Court, Claylands Road, LONDON, SW8

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**Decision Date:** 27 April 2021 WCC Resolution: 27 April 2021

Procedure: PINS Reference: D/21/3273463 **Decision:** No further action by PINS Case Number: 20/06911/FULL Officer:

**REGENT'S PARK WARD** Rossmore Court Park Road London NW1 6XX Address:

Description: Variation of condition 1 of planning permission dated 10 October 2019 (RN

> 19/04696/FULL) for use of the ground floor and basement for self-storage purposes (Class B8). NAMELY, alteration comprises the replacement of the entrance/exit gates on the southern and eastern elevations, at ground floor, with roller shutter security entrance doors.

Telephone:

Appellant: Loft Land Holdings Ltd, C/O Agent

**Toby Cuthbertson** 

Miss Katy Mourant, 10 Albemarle Street, London, W1S 4HH Agent:

**Decision Date:** 26 April 2021 WCC Resolution: 26 April 2021 Procedure: Written Representations PINS Reference: W/20/3254906 **Decision:** Allowed Case Number: 20/00349/FULL Officer: Telephone: Kimberley Davies 07866036948

Comments: The roller shutters were refused by the City Council on the grounds of detailed design and

materials and that the roller shutter and louvred panels, would harm the appearance of this

building and this part of the City.

At the time of the appeal submission, the roller shutters had been installed unauthorised.

The Inspector argues that given the overall scale of the building, the dominating impact of the canopy and the scale and prominence of the flower shop and display area at ground floor level that the vehicle entrance and pedestrian access points to the self storage unit (appeal site), where the roller shutters have been installed are not substantial or significantly visible features of the building. The inspector reiterates further in his findings that the exit to the storage units forms neither a substantial or prominent feature of this frontage which is dominated by service type activities at ground floor level. He concluded the transparent panels in the roller shutter security doors, which account for the majority of the surface area of each door, would allow clear views into the facility and, during hours of darkness, light to escape into the surrounding area and that these shutters are only visible for part of the date that given their lack of prominence and small scale nature in the context of the building as a whole, their impact on the architectural character of the building would be minimal. And so to would the impact on the character and appearance on the wider area.

Address: 25A Westbourne Terrace Road London W2 6NF WESTBOURNE WARD

Description: Replacement of the existing rear glazed extension at basement level with a new single

storey rear extension. (Linked to 20/03739/FULL)

Appellant: Mr Justin Cavell, 25A Westbourne Terrace Road, Waterloo Street, London, W2

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Agent: Mr Mandip Sahota, Nicholas Taylor + Associates, 46 James Street, LONDON, W1U

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**Decision Date:** 21 April 2021 WCC Resolution: 21 April 2021 Procedure: Written Representations PINS Reference: Y/20/3258246 **Decision: Dismissed** Case Number: 20/03740/LBC Officer: Alistair Taylor Telephone: 07866037603

Address: 25A Westbourne Terrace Road London W2 6NF WESTBOURNE WARD

Description: Replacement of the existing rear glazed extension at basement level with a new single

storey rear extension. (Linked to 20/03740/LBC)

Appellant: Mr Justin Cavell, 25A Westbourne Terrace Road, Waterloo Street, London, W2

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Agent: Mr Mandip Sahota, Nicholas Taylor + Associates, 46 James Street, LONDON, W1U

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**Decision Date:** 21 April 2021 WCC Resolution: 21 April 2021 Procedure: Written Representations PINS Reference: W/20/3258244 **Decision: Dismissed** Case Number: 20/03739/FULL Officer: Alistair Taylor Telephone: 07866037603