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**Applicant**
Mr Julian Hampson
The Corporation of Trinity House of Deptford Strond & Acorn
(Trinity Square) Ltd

**Reg. Number**
15/AP/3886

**Application Type**
Full Planning Permission

**Recommendation**
Grant subject to Legal Agreement

**Case Number**
TP/1422-25

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**Planning Permission was GRANTED for the following development:**
Demolition of the existing former Sorting Office and Former Court building and redevelopment to provide 64 residential units (2 studios, 20 x 1b2p, 8 x 3b5p, 4 x 4b5p, 1 x 4b6p) in three blocks of 4, 5 and 7-storeys in height plus lower ground floor; 299sqm of B1 floorspace together with associated amenity space, landscaping and related ancillary works.

**At:**
25-29 HARPER ROAD, LONDON, SE1 6AW AND FORMER COURT BUILDING, SWAN STREET, LONDON SE1 1DF

**Draft of Decision Notice**

In accordance with application received on 22/09/2015


Subject to the following twenty-nine conditions:

**Time limit for implementing this permission and the approved plans**

1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the end of three years from the date of this permission.

   **Reason**
   As required by Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended.

2. The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with the following approved plans:

Reason:
For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

Pre-commencement condition(s) - the details required to be submitted for approval by the condition(s) listed below must be submitted to and approved by the council before any work in connection with implementing this permission is commenced.

3 A full photographic survey and a photographic and sketch intervention record (record in situ) of all features that would be destroyed in the course of the works set in context, as well as details of all those features to be retained and reused, shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority for approval in writing. This recording will be undertaken in accordance with a written scheme of investigation submitted to the planning authority in advance of any works or demolition, and approved in writing by the authority; the development shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with any such approval given.

Reason:
In order that the Local Planning Authority may retain a record of those features of heritage significance that would be lost or altered through demolition or the change of use of this building in accordance with the NPPF, London Plan, Strategic Policy 12 of the Core Strategy and Policies: 3.15 Conservation of the Historic Environment; and Policy 3.18 Setting of listed buildings, conservation areas and world heritage sites of The Southwark Plan (UDP) July 2007.

4 Samples of all external facing materials to be used in the carrying out of this permission shall be presented on site to the Local Planning Authority and approved in writing before any work in connection with this permission is commenced; the development shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with any such approval given.

Reason:
In order that the Local Planning Authority may be satisfied that these samples will make an acceptable contextual response in terms of materials to be used, and achieve a quality of design and detailing in accordance with Policies: 3.11 Efficient use of land; 3.12 Quality in Design; 3.13 Urban Design; and Policy 3.18 Setting of listed buildings, conservation areas and world heritage sites of The Southwark Plan (UDP) July 2007.

5 Prior to works commencing, including any demolition, an Arboricultural Method Statement shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

a) A pre-commencement meeting shall be arranged, the details of which shall be notified to the Local Planning Authority for agreement in writing prior to the meeting and prior to works commencing on site, including any demolition, changes to ground levels, pruning or tree removal.

b) A detailed Arboricultural Method Statement showing the means by which any retained trees on or directly adjacent to the site are to be protected from damage by demolition works, excavation, vehicles, stored or stacked building supplies, waste or other materials, and building plant, scaffolding or other equipment, shall then be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The method statements shall include details of facilitative pruning specifications and a supervision schedule overseen by an accredited arboricultural consultant.

c) Cross sections shall be provided to show surface and other changes to levels, special engineering or construction details and any proposed activity within root protection areas required in order to facilitate demolition, construction and excavation.

The existing trees on or adjoining the site which are to be retained shall be protected and both the site and trees managed in accordance with the recommendations contained in the method statement. Following the pre-commencement meeting all tree protection measures shall be installed, carried out and retained throughout the period of the works, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. In any case, all works must adhere to BS5837: (2012) Trees in relation to demolition, design and construction and BS3998: (2010) Tree work - recommendations.

If within the expiration of 5 years from the date of the occupation of the building for its permitted use any retained tree is removed, uprooted is destroyed or dies, another tree shall be planted at the same place and that tree shall be of such size and species, and shall be planted at such time, as may be specified in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason
To avoid damage to the existing trees which represent an important visual amenity in the area, in accordance with
Before any work hereby authorised begins, the applicant shall secure the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason
In order that the archaeological operations are undertaken to an acceptable standard and that legitimate archaeological interest in the site is satisfied in accordance with Strategic Policy 12 - Design and Conservation of The Core Strategy 2011, Saved Policy 3.19 Archaeology of the Southwark Plan 2007 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.

No development shall take place, including any works of demolition, until a written CEMP has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The CEMP shall oblige the applicant, developer and contractors to commit to current best practice with regard to construction site management and to use all best endeavours to minimise off-site impacts, and will include the following information:

- A detailed specification of demolition and construction works at each phase of development including consideration of all environmental impacts and the identified remedial measures;
- Site perimeter automated, continuous noise, dust and vibration monitoring;
- Engineering measures to eliminate or mitigate identified environmental impacts e.g. hoarding height and density, acoustic screening, sound insulation, dust control measures, emission reduction measures, location of specific activities on site, etc.;
- Arrangements for a direct and responsive site management contact for nearby occupiers during demolition and/or construction (signage on hoardings, newsletters, residents liaison meetings, etc.)
- A commitment to adopt and implement of the ICE Demolition Protocol and Considerate Contractor Scheme;
- Site traffic - Routing of in-bound and outbound site traffic, one-way site traffic arrangements on site, location of lay off areas, etc.;
- Site waste Management - Accurate waste stream identification, separation, storage, registered waste carriers for transportation and disposal at appropriate destinations.
- All demolition and construction work shall be undertaken in strict accordance with the approved CEMP and other relevant codes of practice, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason

a) Prior to the commencement of any development, a site investigation and risk assessment shall be completed in accordance with a scheme to assess the nature and extent of any contamination on the site, whether or not it originates on the site.

i) The Phase 1 (desk study, site categorisation; sampling strategy etc.) shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority for approval before the commencement of any intrusive investigations.

ii) Any subsequent Phase 2 (site investigation and risk assessment) shall be conducted in accordance with any approved scheme and submitted to the Local Planning Authority for approval prior to the commencement of any remediation that might be required.

b) In the event that contamination is present, a detailed remediation strategy to bring the site to a condition suitable for the intended use by removing unacceptable risks to human health, buildings and other property and the natural and historical environment shall be prepared and submitted to the Local Planning Authority for approval in writing. The scheme shall ensure that the site will not qualify as contaminated land under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 in relation to the intended use of the land after remediation.
approved remediation scheme (if one is required) shall be carried out in accordance with its terms prior to the commencement of development, other than works required to carry out remediation, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Local Planning Authority shall be given two weeks written notification of commencement of the remediation scheme works.

c) Following the completion of the works and measures identified in the approved remediation strategy, a verification report providing evidence that all works required by the remediation strategy have been completed shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

d) In the event that potential contamination is found at any time when carrying out the approved development that was not previously identified, it shall be reported in writing immediately to the Local Planning Authority, and a scheme of investigation and risk assessment, a remediation strategy and verification report (if required) shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority for approval in writing, in accordance with a-c above.

Reason
To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those to controlled waters, property and ecological systems, and to ensure that the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and other off-site receptors in accordance with saved policy 3.2 ‘Protection of amenity’ of the Southwark Plan (2007), strategic policy 13 ‘High environmental standards’ of the Core Strategy (2011) and the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.

9 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the energy statement by edc dated 4th August 2015 (reference L14131-ERP-001-Rev A).

Reason
To reduce carbon dioxide emissions as required by the National Planning Policy Framework 2012, Strategic Policy 13 (High environmental standards) of the Core Strategy 2011, saved policies 3.3 Sustainability and Energy Efficiency of the Southwark Plan and Policy 5.15 of the London Plan 2015 (Minimising carbon dioxide emissions).

Commencement of works above grade - the details required to be submitted for approval by the condition(s) listed below must be submitted to and approved by the council before any work above grade is commenced. The term 'above grade' here means any works above ground level.

10 No impact piling shall take place until a piling method statement (detailing the depth and type of piling to be undertaken and the methodology by which such piling will be carried out, including measures to prevent and minimise the potential for damage to subsurface sewerage infrastructure, and the programme for the works) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority in consultation with Thames Water. Any piling must be undertaken in accordance with the terms of the approved piling method statement.

Reason: The proposed works will be in close proximity to underground sewerage utility infrastructure. Piling has the potential to impact on local underground sewerage utility infrastructure. The applicant is advised to contact Thames Water Developer Services on 0800 009 3921 to discuss the details of the piling method statement.

11 The top floor window in the north elevation of block 3 shall be obscure glazed and top opening only and shall not be replaced or repaired otherwise than with obscure glazing. Details of privacy screens / devices for the following areas shall be submitted to and approved in writing prior to the commencement of above grade works. The privacy screens / privacy devices shall be installed in accordance with the approved details prior to the occupation of the affected dwellings, and shall be retained as such thereafter.

- Between opposing windows in the north elevation of block 1 and the west elevation of block 2;
- To the northern-most balconies to block 3;
- To the terrace to unit 64.

Reason

12 Before any fit out works to the commercial premises hereby authorised begins, an independently verified BREEAM report (detailing performance in each category, overall score, BREEAM rating and a BREEAM certificate of building performance) to achieve a minimum 'excellent' rating shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and the development shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with any such approval given;

Before the first occupation of the building hereby permitted, a certified Post Construction Review (or other verification process agreed with the local planning authority) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, confirming that the agreed standards at (a) have been met.
Reason

13 Before any above grade work hereby authorised begins, details of security measures shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and any such security measures shall be implemented prior to occupation in accordance with the approved details which shall seek to achieve the "Secured by Design" accreditation award from the Metropolitan Police.

Reason

14 The residential cycle parking shall be provided in accordance with the approved plans prior to the occupation of the units and shall be retained as such thereafter. Before any above grade work hereby authorised begins details (1:50 scale drawings) of the facilities to be provided for the secure and covered storage of cycles at ground floor level for the B class floorspace shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter the B class cycle parking facilities provided shall be provided in accordance with the approved details prior to the occupation of the B class floorspace and shall be retained as such thereafter.

Reason
In order to ensure that satisfactory safe and secure cycle parking facilities are provided and retained in order to encourage the use of cycling as an alternative means of transport to the development and to reduce reliance on the use of the private car in accordance with The National Planning Policy Framework 2012, Strategic Policy 2 - Sustainable Transport of The Core Strategy and Saved Policy 5.3 Walking and Cycling of the Southwark Plan 2007.

15 Before any above grade work hereby authorised begins, detailed drawings of a hard and soft landscaping scheme showing the treatment of all parts of the site not covered by buildings (including cross sections, surfacing materials of any parking, access, or pathways layouts, materials and edge details and material samples of hard landscaping), shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The landscaping shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with any such approval given and shall be retained for the duration of the use.

The planting, seeding and/or turfing shall be carried out in the first planting season following completion of building works and any trees or shrubs that is found to be dead, dying, severely damaged or diseased within five years of the completion of the building works OR five years of the carrying out of the landscaping scheme (whichever is later), shall be replaced in the next planting season by specimens of the same size and species in the first suitable planting season. Planting shall comply to BS: 4428 Code of practice for general landscaping operations, BS: 5837 (2012) Trees in relation to demolition, design and construction and BS 7370-4:1993 Grounds maintenance Recommendations for maintenance of soft landscape (other than amenity turf).

Reason

Pre-occupation condition(s) - the details required to be submitted for approval by the condition(s) listed below must be submitted to and approved by the council before the building(s) hereby permitted are occupied or the use hereby permitted is commenced.

16 Before the development hereby permitted is commenced, the applicant shall submit written confirmation from the appointed building control body that the specifications for each dwelling identified in the detailed construction plans meet the standard of the Approved Document M of the Building Regulations (2015) required in the schedule below and as corresponding to the approved floor plans. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the details thereby approved by the appointed building control body.
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Reason
To ensure the development complies with Core Strategy 2011 Strategic Policy 5 (Providing new homes) and London Plan 2015 Policy 3.8 (Housing choice).

17 Before the first occupation of the building/extension hereby permitted, the refuse storage arrangements shown on the approved drawings shall be provided and made available for use by the occupiers of the dwellings and business unit and the facilities provided shall thereafter be retained and shall not be used or the space used for any other purpose.

Reason
To ensure that the refuse will be appropriately stored within the site thereby protecting the amenity of the site and the area in general from litter, odour and potential vermin/pest nuisance in accordance with The National Planning Policy Framework 2012, Strategic Policy 13 High Environmental Standards of the Core Strategy 201 and Saved Policies 3.2 Protection of Amenity and Policy 3.7 Waste Reduction of The Southwark Plan 2007.

18 Prior to occupation of the wheelchair accessible units hereby approved the wheelchair accessible parking spaces, at least one of which shall be fitted with an electric vehicle charging point, shall be completed in accordance with the approved plans and retained as such thereafter.

Reason
To ensure that the parking spaces for disabled people are provided and retained in accordance with The National Planning Policy Framework 2012, Strategic Policy 2 - Sustainable Transport of The Core Strategy 2011 and Saved Policy 5.7 Parking standards for disabled people and the mobility impaired of the Southwark Plan 2007.

Compliance condition(s) - the following condition(s) impose restrictions and/or other requirements that must be complied with at all times once the permission has been implemented.

19 The habitable rooms within the development sharing a party ceiling/floor element with commercial premises shall be designed and constructed to provide reasonable resistance to the transmission of sound sufficient to ensure that noise from the commercial premises does not exceed NR25.

Reason
To ensure that the occupiers and users of the proposed development do not suffer a loss of amenity by reason of noise nuisance and other excess noise from activities within the commercial premises accordance with strategic policy 13 'High environmental standards' of the Core Strategy (2011), saved Policy 3.2 Protection of Amenity of the Southwark Plan (2007) and the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.

20 The habitable rooms within the development sharing a party wall element with adjoining flats shall be designed and constructed to provide reasonable resistance to the transmission of sound sufficient to ensure that the party wall meets a minimum of 5dB improvement on the Building Regulations standard set out in Approved Document E.

Reason
To ensure that the occupiers and users of the proposed development do not suffer a loss of amenity by reason of noise nuisance and other excess noise from activities within the adjacent premises accordance with strategic policy 13 'High environmental standards' of the Core Strategy (2011), saved Policy 3.2 Protection of Amenity of the Southwark Plan (2007) and the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.

21 The dwellings hereby permitted shall be designed to ensure that the following internal noise levels are not exceeded due to environmental noise:

- Bedrooms - 35dB LAeq, T * and 45dB LAFmax
- Living rooms - 35dB LAeq, T **
- Dining rooms - 40dB LAeq, T **
* - Night-time 8 hours between 23:00-07:00
** - Daytime 16 hours between 07:00-23:00.

**Reason**

To ensure that the occupiers and users of the development do not suffer a loss of amenity by reason of excess noise from environmental and transportation sources in accordance with strategic policy 13 'High environmental standards' of the Core Strategy (2011) saved policies 3.2 'Protection of amenity' and 4.2 'Quality of residential accommodation' of the Southwark Plan (2007), and the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.

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22 The interim travel plan dated July 2015 shall be implemented in full, and shall include a target to increase the cycling modal share to 10%.

**Reason:**

To encourage sustainable transport modes, in accordance with saved policy 5.2 'Transport impacts' of the Southwark Plan (2007) and strategic policy 2 'Sustainable transport' of the Core Strategy (2011).

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23 No developer, owner or occupier of any part of the development hereby permitted, with the exception of disabled persons, shall seek, or will be allowed, to obtain a parking permit within the controlled parking zone in Southwark in which the application site is situated.

**Reason:**

To ensure compliance with Strategic Policy 2 - Sustainable Transport of the Core Strategy 2011 and saved policy 5.2 Transport Impacts of the Southwark Plan 2007.

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24 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the approved Flood Risk Assessment dated August 2015 (reference UK14-20634), Product 4 (Detailed Flood Risk) dated 15th December 2015 and Drainage Strategy dated 28/07/2015 (reference 7214).

**Reason:**


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25 Any external lighting system installed at the development shall comply with the Institute of Lighting Professionals (ILE) Guidance for the Reduction of Obtrusive Light (January 2012)

**Reason:**

In order that the Council may be satisfied as to the details of the development in the interest of the visual amenity of the area, the amenity and privacy of adjoining occupiers, and their protection from light nuisance, in accordance with The National Planning Policy Framework 2012, Strategic Policy 12 Design and Conservation and Strategic Policy 13 High environmental standards of The Core Strategy 2011 and Saved Policies 3.2 Protection of Amenity and 3.14 Designing out crime of the Southwark Plan 2007.

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26 The combined heat and power plant (CHP) shall use natural gas and shall meet the relevant standard for its size as stated in Appendix 7 of the London Mayor's Supplementary Planning Guidance on Sustainable Design and Construction. The CHP plant shall have a valid and up to date management plan which details the parties responsible for the maintenance, monitoring and operation of the installed plant and details how they will communicate with and inform each other about issues relevant to the effective operation of the CHP. The management plan shall be available to the LPA on request. As a minimum the CHP plant stack emissions shall be monitored and analysed annually to ensure compliance with the emissions standard. The result reports shall be available to the LPA on request.

**Reason:**

To ensure the proposal minimises its impact on air quality in accordance with The National Planning Policy Framework 2012, Strategic Policy 13 High Environmental Standards of the Core Strategy 2011 and Saved Policies 3.3 Sustainability Assessment, 3.4 Energy Efficiency and 3.6 Air Quality of the Southwark Plan 2007.

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27 The rated noise level from any plant, together with any associated ducting shall be 10 dB(A) or more below the measured LA90 level at the nearest noise sensitive premises. The method of assessment shall be carried in accordance with BS4142:1997 'Rating industrial noise affecting mixed residential and industrial areas'.

**Reason:**

To ensure that occupiers of neighbouring premises do not suffer a loss of amenity by reason of noise nuisance from plant and machinery in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework 2012, Strategic Policy 13...

28 Any deliveries, unloading and loading to the commercial unit shall only be between the following hours:

08.00 - 22.00hrs Mondays - Saturdays
10.00 - 16.00hrs Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Reason
To ensure that and occupiers of the development and occupiers of neighbouring premises do not suffer a loss of amenity by reason of noise nuisance in accordance with The National Planning Policy Framework 2012, Strategic Policy 13 High Environmental Standards of the Core Strategy 201 and Saved Policies 3.2 Protection of Amenity of The Southwark Plan 2007

Other condition(s) - the following condition(s) are to be complied with and discharged in accordance with the individual requirements specified in the condition(s).

29 Within six months of the completion of archaeological site works, an assessment report detailing the proposals for post-excavation works, publication of the site and preparation of the archive shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and that the works detailed in this assessment report shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with any such approval given.

Reason
In order that the archaeological interests of the site are secured with regard to the details of the post-excavation works, publication and archiving to ensure the preservation of archaeological remains by record in accordance with Strategic Policy 12 - Design and Conservation of The Core Strategy 2011, Saved Policy 3.19 Archaeology of the Southwark Plan 2007 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.

Statement of positive and proactive action in dealing with the application
Pre-application discussions were held with the applicant and the plans amended during the course of the application to address a highways issue.

Informatives
You are advised to avoid carrying out demolition works during the bird nesting season (March-August). Bird nests are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act (1981) and a licence from Natural England would be required to remove any birds nests.

The Highway Authority requires works to all existing and any proposed new streets and spaces (given for adoption or not) to be designed and constructed to adoptable standards. Southwark Council’s published adoptable standards as Highway Authority are contained in the Southwark Streetscape Design Manual (SSDM), www.southwark.gov.uk/ssdm. Applicants will be required to enter into a s278 agreement under the Highways Act 1980 for any works to existing adopted Highways.

The applicant is to note that surface water from private areas is not permitted to flow onto public highway in accordance with Section163 of the Highways Act 1980. Detailed drawings should be submitted as part of the s278 application confirming this requirement.

Prior to works commencing on site (including any demolition) a joint condition survey should be arranged with Southwark Highway Development Team to catalogue condition of streets and drainage gullies. Please contact Iaan Smuts, Highway Development Manager on 020 7525 2135 to arrange.

Thames Water comments:

Waste Comments - Thames Water would advise that with regard to sewerage infrastructure capacity, we would not have any objection to the above planning application.

There are public sewers crossing or close to your development. In order to protect public sewers and to ensure that Thames Water can gain access to those sewers for future repair and maintenance, approval should be sought from Thames Water where the erection of a building or an extension to a building or underpinning work would be over the line of, or would come within 3 metres of, a public sewer. Thames Water will usually refuse such approval in respect of the construction of new buildings, but approval may be granted in some cases for extensions to existing buildings. The applicant is advised to contact Thames Water Developer Services on 0800 009 3921 to discuss the options available at this site.
Surface Water Drainage - With regard to surface water drainage it is the responsibility of a developer to make proper provision for drainage to ground, water courses or a suitable sewer. In respect of surface water it is recommended that the applicant should ensure that storm flows are attenuated or regulated into the receiving public network through on or off site storage. When it is proposed to connect to a combined public sewer, the site drainage should be separate and combined at the final manhole nearest the boundary. Connections are not permitted for the removal of groundwater. Where the developer proposes to discharge to a public sewer, prior approval from Thames Water Developer Services will be required. They can be contacted on 0800 009 3921. Reason - to ensure that the surface water discharge from the site shall not be detrimental to the existing sewerage system.

Water Comments - On the basis of information provided, Thames Water would advise that with regard to water infrastructure capacity, we would not have any objection to the above planning application.

Thames Water recommend the following informative be attached to any planning permission: There is a Thames Water main crossing the development site which may/will need to be diverted at the Developer's cost, or necessitate amendments to the proposed development design so that the aforementioned main can be retained. Unrestricted access must be available at all times for maintenance and repair. Please contact Thames Water Developer Services, Contact Centre on Telephone No: 0800 009 3921 for further information.