

RE: Planning application 139093/LO/2024 consultation - Canada House

Paula Burbicka <Paula.Burbicka@manchester.gov.uk>

Thu 29/02/2024 14:30

To: Michael Pearson <Michael.Pearson@manchester.gov.uk>

Dear Michael,

The premises under consideration are part of the Grade II listed Canada House constructed as a packing warehouse in 1908-9 in Art Nouveau style to the design of W H Higginbottom for Booth & Others Ltd. It was constructed as part of the wider Booths estate. The building survives relatively intact externally and internally, considered of high architectural & historic interest. It was comprehensively refurbished in late 2010s.

The proposal is for internal reconfiguration of the unit under consideration, including the removal of modern partition and partial removal of raised modern floor, and the construction of 2 no. partitions.

The proposed new partitions are acceptable. Whilst the space would be more subdivided as a result, with some erosion of appreciation of the original floorplan and harm to original fabric, the impact on the asset's significance would be negligible. To minimise the harm, new fixtures to timber beam and floor would need to be the minimum required.

Any holes/damage to original fabric/finishes where the existing modern partition and the raised floor are to be removed would have to be repaired/made good as part of these alterations.

Best,

Paula Burbicka (she/her)
Career Graded Planning Officer (Heritage and Urban Design)
Planning, Building Control & Licensing
Growth & Development Directorate
Manchester City Council

Email: paula.burbicka@manchester.gov.uk

Phone: 0161 219 2849

Please note that Tuesdays are a non-working day for me as long as this note remains on my emails.

Postal address: Planning Service, Manchester City Council, PO Box 532, Town Hall Extension, Manchester, M60 2LA