

**Planning and Borough Development
Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea**

STATEMENT

Background info

TMO submitted a Building Regulations 'Full Plans application' on the 05/08/2014 reference FP/14/03563.

This application was made following planning permission being granted for the proposed scheme.

It is worth noting that the planning system does not duplicate or supplement controls that exist under other statutory regimes. In this regard, The Building Regulations under Part B, was the regime covering fire safety and means of escape.

Application process

The proposed plans and other details submitted under FP/14/03563 were reviewed by RBKC Building Control.

While a formal Decision Notice was not issued for the plans, the plans submitted were fully vetted by Building Control with comments provided; these comments were then followed up by the site inspection regime.

Site inspections began on the 29/08/2014 with 16 inspections undertaken with final completion issued on the 07/07/2016 and a completion certificate issued.

In addition to the Full Plans application, a 'Demolition Notice', reference DEM/14/02401, was submitted on the 21/05/2014. This application was in relation to parts of the building which were removed as enabling works to facilitate the building works under FP/14/03563.

A Demolition Notice was required under section 80 of the Building Act.

Next steps for the department

The department is pulling together relevant documentation to assist the police and in preparation for the public inquiry and will publish an initial package of documents for public release no later than 12 July.

We will co-operate fully with the public inquiry and are already cooperating with other investigations. But in order that we can focus on supporting these important processes we will not be answering individual technical questions in relation to the documents we publish or the building control process.