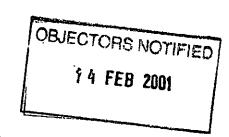
PLANNING SERVICES APPLICATION

CONSULTATION SHEET

APPLICANT:

Mrs. K. Bogyay, Director General, 10 Maiden Lane, Covent Garden, London, WC2E 7NA



APPLICATION NO: PP/00/02892

APPLICATION DATED: 13/12/2000

DATE ACKNOWLEDGED: 18 December 2000

APPLICATION COMPLETE: 18/12/2000

DATE TO BE DECIDED BY: 12/02/2001

SITE:

Traffic Island adjacent Melton Court and 12 Old Brompton Road, London, S.W.7

PROPOSAL: Statue to be erected adjacent to traffic island.

ADDRESSES TO BE CONSULTED

MELTON COURT (ALL FLATS)

8-34 (EVEN) OLD BROMPTON RD

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CONSULT STATUTORILY

HBMC Listed Buildings

HBMC Setting of Buildings Grade I or II

HBMC Demolition in Conservation Area

Demolition Bodies

DoT Trunk Road - Increased traffic

DoT Westway etc.,

Neighbouring Local Authority

Strategic view authorities

Kensington Palace

Civil Aviation Authority (over 300')

Theatres Trust

The Environment Agency

Thames Water

Crossrail

LRT/Chelsea-Hackney Line

ADVERTISE

Effect on CA

Setting of Listed Building

Works to Listed Building

Departure from UDP

Demolition in CA

"Major Development"

Environmental Assessment

No Site Notice Required

Notice Required other reason

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KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA

Melter Court and 12

Old Brompton Road.

POLLING DISTRICT PP002892 **Buildings of Architectural Interest** LSC HB Local Shopping Centre AMI Αl Sites of Archeological Importance Areas of Metropolitan Importance MDO Major Sites with Development Opportunities SV Designated View of St Paul's from Richmond MOL Metropolitan Open Land SNCI Sites of Nature Conservation Importance SBA Small Business Area REG 7 Restricted size and use of Estate Agent Boards **PSC** Principal Shopping Centre (Core or Non-core) ART IV Restrictions of Permitted Development Rights

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Proposed Plot Ratio

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Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea GGP Point in Polygon Search Results Corporate Land and Property Gazetteer Buildings and their Flats

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REASON FOR DELAY

CASE NO. _PP 00 2892

This case has been identified as a "Target" application, which has the target for being passed through to the Head of Development Control within 6 weeks of the date of completion.

I have been unable to pass through the case within the target period for the following reason(s) [highlight as necessary]

- Delays due to internal Consultation 1) [highlight one or all]
- Design
- Transportation
- Policy
- Environmental Health

- Further neighbour notification/external consultation necessary (spread or time period)
- Awaiting Direction from English Heritage/other EH delays... 3)
- Revisions requested, but not received in time 4)
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 - Of the Committee cycle
- Applicant's instruction 8)
- OTHER REASON..... 9)

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990



KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA

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MEMORANDUM

From:

TO: FOR FILE USE ONLY

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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My Ref: TPP/00/02892/JS CODE: SL

Date:

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DEVELOPMENT:

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The above development is to be advertised under:-

NO REQUIREMENT FOR SITE NOTICE/ADVERTISEMENT IN THIS CASE.

M.J. French

Executive Director, Planning & Conservation SITE NOTICE CRITERIA NOT MATCHED CHECK CORRECT CODE IS ENTERED

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11 Abingdon Mansions,

Pater Street,

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5 January 2001

My reference: EDPC/MJF

Your reference:

Please ask for: Mr. French

Dear Councillor Phelps,

PP/00/2892: Traffic Island adjacent to Melton Court and 12 Old Brompton Road, S.W.7. PP/00/2885: 12/12a Courtfield Gardens, S.W.5.

Further to your e-mail of 5 January, I enclose details, as requested, on the above planning applications. I would be grateful to receive any comments you may have on the applications and for the return of the drawings at your convenience.

Yours sincerely,

M. J. French,

Executive Director, Planning and Conservation.

French, Michael: PC-GrpSvc

From:

Barry Phelps [barry.phelps@virgin.net]

Sent:

05 January 2001 08:32

To:

French Michael

Cc:

Holt Tony .

Subject:

Planning Application 29.12.00

1. Details please of 12/12A Courtfield Gardens - PP)00) 02885 - TR
2. Statue at traffic island by 12 Old Brompton Road. Details please. - PP)00) 2892
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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

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^{*} If you wish to object to the proposals, or make any general comments, please give them, in full, in the space above.

Any additional comments may be set down on the back of this form.

** Delete where applicable.

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- The scale and appearance of the proposal and impact upon the surrounding area or adjoining neighbours;
- Effect upon the character or appearance of a Conservation Area;
- Effect upon the special historic interest of a Listed Building, or its setting;
- Effect upon traffic, access, and parking;
- Amenity issues such as loss of Sunlight or daylight, Overlooking and loss of privacy,
 Noise and disturbance resulting from a use, Hours of operation.

WHAT MATTERS CANNOT BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT

Often people may wish to object on grounds that, unfortunately, <u>cannot</u> be taken into account because they are not controlled by Planning Legislation. These include (again not in any order of importance):

- Loss of property value;
- Private issues between neighbours such as land covenants, party walls, land and boundary disputes, damage to property;
- Problems associated with construction such as noise, dust, or vehicles (If you experience
 these problems Environmental Services have some control and you should contact them direct);
- Smells (Also covered by Environmental Services);
- Competition between firms;
- Structural and fire precaution concerns; (These are Building Control matters).

WHAT HAPPENS TO YOUR LETTER

Planning applications where objections have been received are presented to the Planning Services Committee which is made up of elected Ward Councillors. Planning Officers write a report to the Committee with a recommendation as to whether the application should be granted or refused. Letters received are summarised in the report, and copies can be seen by Councillors and members of the public including the applicant. The Councillors make the decisions and are not bound by the Planning Officer's recommendation. All meetings of the Committee are open to the public.

If you would like further information, about the application itself or when it is likely to be decided, please contact the Planning Department on the telephone number overleaf.

WHERE TO SEE THE PLANS

Details of the application can be seen at the Planning Information Office, 3rd floor, Town Hall, Hornton Street W.8. It is open from 9am to 4.45pm Mondays to Thursdays (4pm Fridays). A Planning Officer will always be there to assist you.

In addition, copies of applications in the Chelsea Area (SW1, SW3, SW10) can be seen at The Reference Library, Chelsea Old Town Hall, Kings Road SW3 (020 7361 4158), for the Central Area (W8, W14, SW5, SW7) can be viewed in the Central Library, Town Hall, Hornton Street, W.8. and applications for districts W10, W11 and W2 in the North of the Borough can be seen at The Information Centre, North Kensington Library, 108 Ladbroke Grove, London W11 (under the Westway near Ladbroke Grove Station 020 7727-6583). Please telephone to check the opening times of these offices.

If you are a registered disabled person, it may be possible for an Officer to come to your home with the plans. Please contact the Planning Department and ask to speak to the Case Officer for the application.

PLANNING AND CONSERVATION THE ROYAL **BOROUGH OF** THE TOWN HALL HORNTON STREET LONDON W8 7NX Executive Director M J FRENCH FRICS Dip TP MRTPI Cent TS Councillor Barry Phelps, Switchboard: 020 7937 5464 2944 Extension: Chairman, 020 7361-2944 Direct Line: Planning and Conservation Committee, 020 7361 3463 Facsimile: 11 Abingdon Mansions, Pater Street, **KENSINGTON** LONDÓN, W8 6AB. AND CHELSEA 5 January 2001 My reference: EDPC/MJF Please ask for: Mr. French Your reference: Dear Councillor Phelps, PP/00/2892: Traffic Island adjacent to Melton Court and 12 Old Brompton Road, S.W.7. PP/00/2885; 12/12a Courtfield Gardens, S.W.5 Further to your e-mail of 5 January, I enclose details, as requested, on the above planning applications. I would be grateful to receive any comments you may have on the applications and for the return of the

drawings at your convenience.

Yours gincerely,

M. J. French,

Executive Director, Planning and Conservation.

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District Plan Observations CONSERVATION AND DESIGN

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This site is likely to be redeveloped next year. Highways & Traffic Comtree has been considering a new layout for roads & public Space south of the Station. This may include a large public plaza. A Further report is likely to go to H&T Contree in Spring recommending further consultation. The committee may wish to consider the inclusion of sculpture or art in the new layout but not recessarily this piece.

Civen the likelyhood of change here this application Seems premature. The applicant proposes placing the Statue in a flower bed (existing) not necessarily the best setting for any work of art. Any Sculpture Should be well placed & fit well within the design of the overall public Space. As the Space here is confused, cluttered & divided into many Small islands by busy read, the proposed Sculpture may add to the general Confusion.

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Shearman, John: PC-PlanSvc

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Sent:

To: Subject: Mount, Ronald: ES-HwayTraf 23 January 2001 11:05 Shearman, John: PC-PlanSvc Bartok Statue, South Kensington - PP/00/2892/JS

John

I refer to the above application which has been sent to me for comment.

I believe the application is premature as the council is involved in a public consultation exercise on traffic management proposals for the area which, if implemented, would require the relocation of the statue from the site indicated. It is expected that implementation of the traffic management scheme would start within the next two years.

Bill



ungarian by nationality, Imre Varga is an outstanding figure of twentieth century European art. In the chaos of trends devoted to specific details or forms, he has been lead by the will and courage of the greatest creators in his desire to grasp the artistic whole and bring past and

present, classical and modern values into harmony in his works.

Imre Varga graduated from the Budapest Fine Arts Academy in 1956. He brought with him significant experiences as he began his carreer as an artist. Varga came forth with the works that brought him major attention in the early sixties. On commission, he sculpted the modern vision of Prometheus, the Titan who stole fire from heaven and gave it to man.

A victorious figure, Imre Varga's Prometheus raises above his head flames cur put of plates of chromium steel. Compiled of tubes and welded into one, the body tells the story of voluntarily accepted mission and deed. However, this Prometheus with looks somewhat reminescent of that of a champion wrestler, also suffers quite visibly and would be happy to get rid of the flames he had secured. However, man and the accepted role are inseparable. Varga's Titan is a dignified and at the same time pretentious figure. The artistic thought and the form in which that thought has found expression were both challengingly new at the time.

Imre Varga's promising and sharply rising carreer began with this statue of large dimensions designed for a public place. The first pieces of his "A la recherche" series, including in the first place the composition entitled Chair were also sculpted in those years. However, the artist never stopped there, he did not bog down in the world of one particular form of modelling. For him, artistic creation has always started out of what he had to say, from a content looking for form, and not from variations of some prefabricated panels of vision. The idea is not clad in a ready-made garment, but is secking the best possible form of expression for itself. The shape is found gradually. In other words, the final form emerges in the process of creation. Imre Varga has also created a full-figure outdoor composition of Miklos Radnoti, that significant begure of twentieth century Hungarian poetry who died a martyr's death in 1944. Cast in bronze. the finely shaped figure of the poet expresses not suffering, but an attitude to remain human under all conditions. Shod in worn-down boots, the body is covered in a coat that tightly clings. There is a transfigured expression in the poet's termented face. Behind closed eyes, images of a more peaceful past and future swirl. Hands in pockets, the poet is leaning against a wooden bar, with unshapely cobblestones under his feet. At first glance, the spectator tends to notice first the unusual elements in the composition: the wooden bar, the cobblestones. Pop art, or the assimiliation of pop art is often being mentioned with reference to that statue. Those who do so do not see so much the composition as a whole, but much rather the unusual character of the overall impact. Varga's endeavour has always been to create an artificial, yet, in its components natural space in which the composition appears and in which the composition as an organic whole springs to life.

Later too, Varga has always sought to place his figures in a composed space to prompt association. When there is no such opportunity, or he wants to attract attention to the most important part of the composition, the figure he portrays, he promotes to the role of a sculptural component, what most modern sculptors are most reluctant to involve: clothing. An unexpected element of the lifesize statue of Béla Bartók, also set up in Paris, is a hat. A great many sculptors have tried their hands in giving back the fine shape of the head of the great composer. Varga hides the shape of the head, and by that reaches two objectives. On the one hand, this figure, caught in the process of a leisurely

walk, gives the impression of an everyday, mortal person. However, this everyday appearance will disappear as soon as the passer-by comes up to Bartók and looks into his face. This face is music itself!

One of Varga's major works portrays St. Stephen. The original composition about the first Hungarian king who had the Hungarians settle in Europe, creating for them a homeland and introducing them to the new faith, Christianity, is in the crypt of the St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. Glittering like gold, the three-part high relief covers one whole part of the chapel as it follows the curve of the arch of the crypt. In the centre, there is a stylized, symbolic tree of life inspired by the patterns found on haversacks incent the omes when the Hungarians settled in the Carpathian Basin. On the two sides, there are three mythical stags each that play an important role in Hungarian legendary prehistory and the art of nomadic peoples in general.

In front of the tree of life, at a height of some one and a half metres from the basis, there is, almost floating, a sublime Madonna, cast in bronze, with an almost sombte tace that, yer, has a glow of mystery. A crown is floating above her head.

The figure of King Stephen is east in black bronze. The shoulders of the king, who is wearing a shirt of mail, are covered in a plate of chromium steel, its seams revealing heavy gold embroideries and letters of the coronation cloak, this precious piece of the Hungarian royal regalia. A crown repeating the ornament on a Hun sacrificial vessel is on the king's head, and a stylized copy of the Hungarian holy crown in his right.

This portrayal of Stephen is essentially different from all previous ones. The features of the king, showing age, yet also eminating force, are not those of the charitable saint, but much rather those of the tough chieftain brooking no opposition. This king, offering his crown to the Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Hungarians, brings with him to the chapel the air of the world of the ancient shamans. A huge nose and strong jaw are sings of determination. He knows all too well that the homage payed to him follows not from the Christian faith of his nation, but from the historical necessity whose recognition appeared as the only alternative for the Hungarians if they wanted to survive and have a homeland of their own in Europe.

The composition incorporates several technical solutions. The outcome is truly magnetic. But the spectator finds his attention shifting from details to major units, the lines of force of the composition. This work, while standing out as a major value in the artist's occurre, is also an outstanding masterpiece of European sculpture.

Besides this major work, mention should be made of three plastic series. They are fundamentally different, but at the same time come from the same root, proving, in an exciting manner, the fact that for Varga, the starting point is not his choice of material. Material is but his means of expression, the important thing is what he has to say, Baudelaire's poem. The Carcass is a startling and extremely effective piece of 19th century Europan poetry. The poet is horrified at the sight of the decomposing carcass, knowing that his admirable sweetheart, Jeanne Duval, whose portrait was painted by Edouard Manet in his Lady with Fan in 1862, would come to the same fate which is awaiting eventually every mortal. Small in size and made of porcelain, the favourite material of knick-knacks. Varga's Hommage à Manet expresses the essence of the painting by the French artist. This lady offeringh herself, this courtesan of the world, is both attractive and repellent. The statue, La Charogne is cast in bronze. Form is essentially simplified here. Everything, the dress, the movement, the laid out position, is stylized, reduced to mere indication. There is nothing here that would be exciting or attractive. This body is a strange mixture of a living being and one stiffening into death. However, Varga continued to be thrilled by the theme. The title of the third variation is

a direct reference to the poet. But the work itself is about something else. The face is stylized, in fact, non-existent, as something superfluous. By now all that is not related to love-making has become immaterial, with the lower part of the body enlarged. Laid out, this careass reminds us not of death, but of the mentality that finds the meaning of life in nothing but love-making.

Even more exciting is the encounter offered by the variations of Varga's Hero's Monument. These pieces reflect a strange kind of heroism. They all contain irony and pain. What's the worth of all those tangibly real decorations on the breast when they go with a mutilated body? Regarding their message, these works, made of polyester, bronze and chromuum steel, are parts of the same story. They all have dramatic force and despite their diversity of form, they all mourn and warn.

The pieces of the series A la recherche reflect Varga's European inspiration and European roots. These works have borrowed their common title from the novel by Proust and with their fine lyricism and the exciting form of Art Nouveau; they are truly captivating. They do not imitate literature and do not seek to be more than visions of memory conceived with a great doal of ingeniousness, an emotional return to the past-bringing back in one's dreams something that perhaps had never been as beautiful in reality as it is when rearranged by time.

A Hungarian, a European, Intre Varga is increasingly viewed by the world as a Hungarian artist contributing to the great heritage.

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KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA

1 February 2001

My reference: EDPC/MJF/ PP/00/2892

Your reference:

Please ask for. Mr. French

Dear Councillor Moylan,

Statue of Bartók

Thank you for your recent observations on the current proposal to erect a statue of Béla Bartók on the southern site of South Kensington Station. I can confirm that Bartók did for many years live in Onslow Gardens and there is a Hungarian influence in this particular area.

I have noted your comments with regard to the location and will also ask Ann Elliott for her views on this particular aspect.

Yours sincerely,

M. J. French, Executive Director, Planning and Conservation.



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From: Councillor Daniel Moylan, Deputy Leader of the Council

12th January, 2001

M.J. French, Esq., F.R.I.C.S., etc., Executive Director, Planning and Conservation

Re: PP/00/2892: Statue of Béla Bartók

Mr. French.

Just a few personal comments, since you were kind enough to draw my attention to this application, which I broadly welcome:

- 1. presumably Bartók has some association with the area;
- 2. there is a musical precedent: about ten years ago Westminster City Council gave permission for a statue of Mozart near the end of Ebury Street apparently he stayed near the area;
- 3. nonetheless, Bartók is not quite Mozart and the location, in the middle of the highway, will be very prominent I think I would prefer a site on the footway, where people could walk around and read an appropriate plaque;
- 4. is the statue to stand on a plinth or more or less directly on the highway? the latter, it seems to me from the drawing; if so, this re-inforces my point 3 above;
- 5. I think we should take advantage of Miss Ann Elliott's relationship with the Council to ask for her views on the artist, the piece and the location.

As I say, these are personal comments. Highways officers will make their own technical observations.

I hope this helps.

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KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA

5 February 2001

My reference: EDPC/MJF/

MJF/ Your reference:

Please ask for: Mr. French

PP/00/2892

Dear Councillor Moylan,

Statue of Bartók

Further to my letter of 1 February, I would inform you that Ann Elliott has now been seconded to the Isle of Wight and it will not be possible to obtain detailed comments from her for the Planning Services Committee on 13 February when the application is considered. I have asked that a copy of the report be sent to you when it has been completed.

Yours sincerely,

M. J. French, Executive Director, Planning and Conservation.

Down, Philippa: PC-GrpSvc

From:

Down, Philippa: PC-GrpSvc

Sent: To: 01 February 2001 15:18 Cook, Doris: ES-ClnRecyc

Subject:

RE: Ann Elliott

thanks; we will write to her at goodwood I think

----Original Message-----

From: Sent: Cook, Doris: ES-CtnRecyc 01 February 2001 12:50 Down, Philippa: PC-GrpSvc

To: Subject:

RE: Ann Elliott

Phillipa: seconded I believe - on her way to the Isle of Wight this pm. mobile number 07770 402239, goodwood 012475 31852. D.

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From: Sent:

To:

Down, Philippa: PC-GrpSvc 01 February 2001 12:37 Cook, Doris: ES-ClnRecyc

Subject: Ann Elliott

Doris, is Ann Elliott still seconded to the Council? Mike says she provided consultancy services on the Millennium sculptures in Holland Park. i.e. do you have an address for her? otherwise, I can probably find one at Goodwood where she was based. Thanks.

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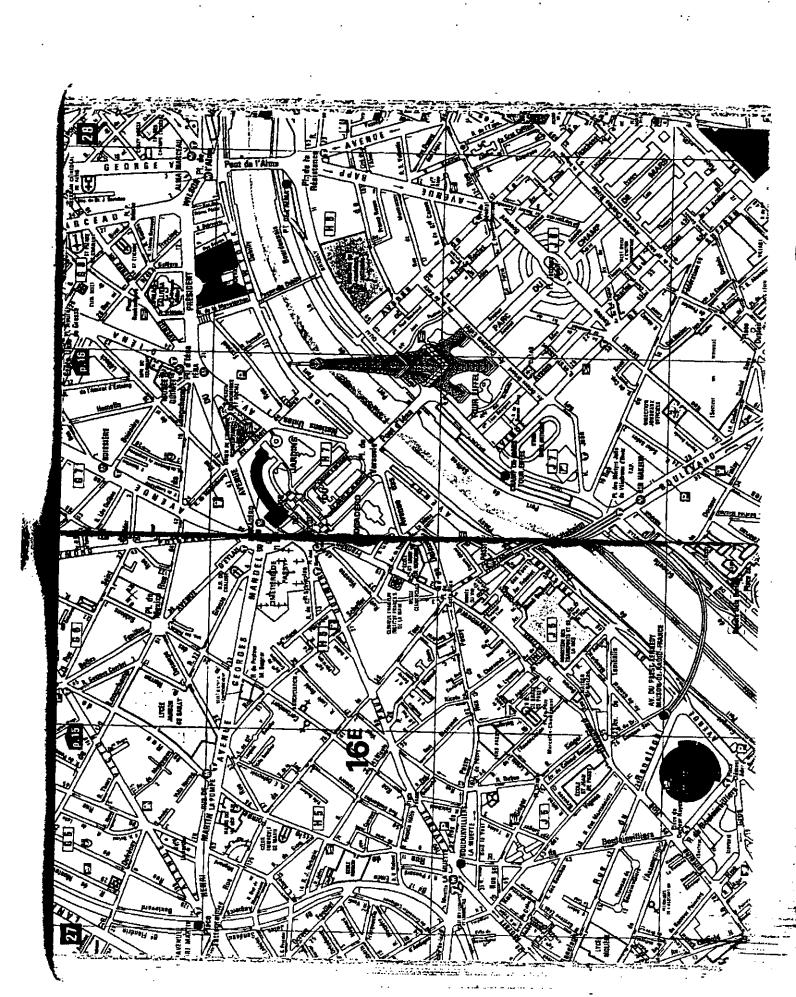
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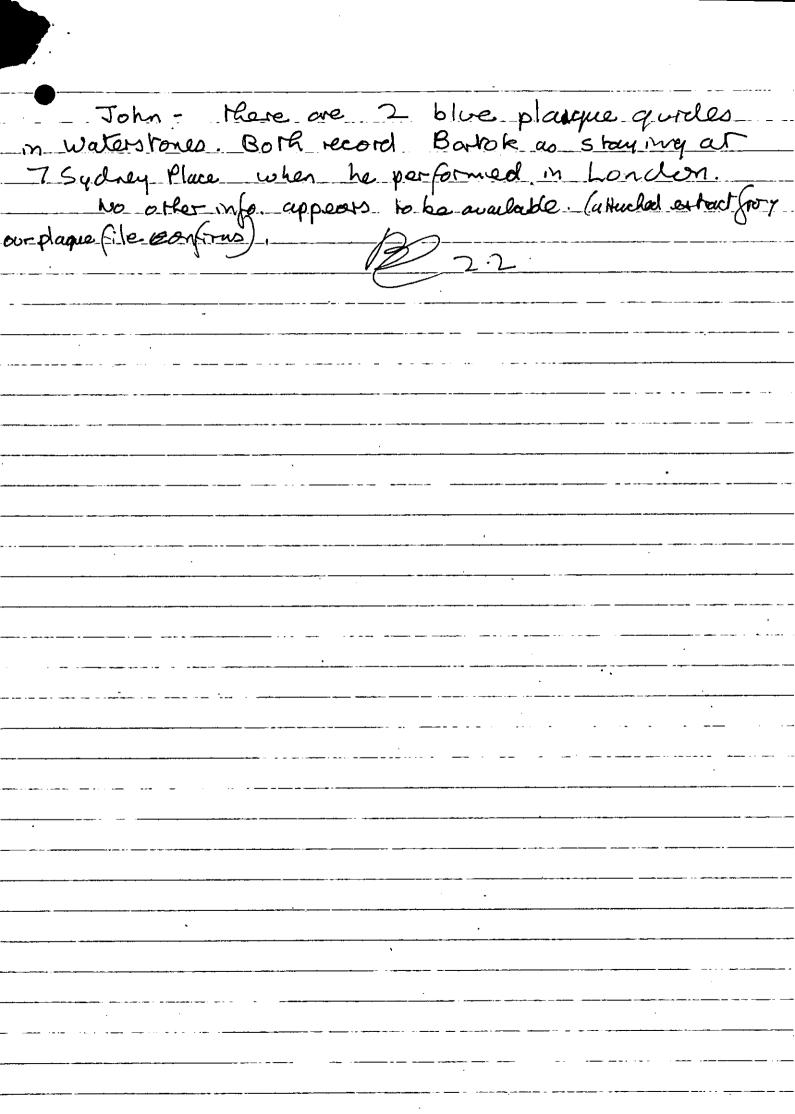
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Imre Varga's statues of Bartók and Kodály for Paris







Director of Planning & Transportation Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea The Town Hall Hornton Street W8 7NX Direct dial: 0171 973 3718

5 December 1996

Dear Sir/Madam

COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUES: BELA BARTOK

You will be familiar with the blue plaques erected by English Heritage on houses of historic interest, particularly those which have been the residence of famous people.

It has been decided, subject to the necessary consents being obtained, to erect a plaque at 7 Sydney Place, with the following inscription:

BELA BARTOK 1881-1945 Hungarian Composer stayed here when performing in London

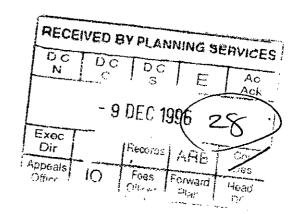
It is the opinion of English Heritage that the erection of this blue plaque will not affect the special architectural and historic interest of the building.

I should be grateful if you would let me know whether you have any observations on our proposal to erect the plaque.

Yours faithfully

Helen Poplett

London and South East Region

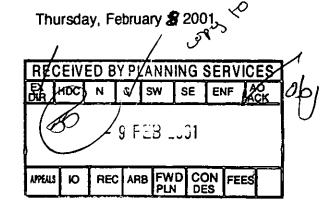




The Brompton Association

from the Hon Secretary, 15 Cromwell Road, London SW7 2JB Tei 020 7584 9020

M. J. French FRICS DipTP MRTPI Director of Planning & Conservation RBK&C Hornton Street London W8 7NX



Dear Sir

Melton Court, South Kensington: PP00/2892

I am writing on behalf of the Brompton Association Committee.to comment on the above application by The Hungarian Cultural Centre for a new statue on the existing traffic island opposite Melton Court

A proposal for a new piece of public sculpture would normally be welcomed by the Association as an interesting addition to the street scene. However, in this particular case there are other factors to consider which lead us to raise very strong objection to the current applicationl.

We understand that the South Kensington Traffic Management Proposals are still under consideration by Highways and Traffic officers, following the consultation process that took place last July. The Association supported the proposals as achieving a fair balance between people and traffic and we particularly liked the idea of creating a major new public space to the south of the station. In our view, it would be very ill advised to grant consent for any work that might compromise the final outcome of this scheme.

Once the Traffic Management Proposals been agreed, there may well be an opportunity to reconsider the application in in the context of the site as a whole. In the meantime we trust it will be either rejected or withdrawn.

Yours sincerely

Susan Walker Hon. Secretary

cc:

Cllr Shireen Ritchie, Brompton Ward Cllr David Hudson, Brompton Ward

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Marta Santarsieri, Executive Secretary, Hungarian Cultural Centre

Richard Westmacott, Chairman, South Kensington Estates Management Scheme EC

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KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA

20 February 2001

My reference: DPS/DCSE/BC/

00/02892

Your reference:

Please ask for: B. Coey

Dear Mrs. Walker,

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Traffic Island Adjacent to Melton Court, South Kensington, SW7

I am writing in response to your letter dated 8th February concerning the application for planning permission to erect a statue of Bela Bartok at the above location. I have to advise you that this application was considered by the Planning Services Committee at their meeting on 13th February and was approved.

The Committee carefully considered the representations of The Brompton Association, but noting that the traffic management proposals are some way from implementation, considered that to grant planning permission would not compromise these proposals. A condition has been imposed reserving details for further approval of the method of fixing the statue and the applicant has been advised that the statue will need to be relocated if and when the traffic management proposals are implemented.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or the case officer, Mr. Shearman.

Yours sincerely,

B. Coey,

Area Planning Officer

On behalf of Executive Director, Planning and Conservation

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24 April 2002

My reference: EDPC/MJF/PP/

Your reference:

Please ask for: Mr. French

00/2892

Dear Ms. Bogyay,

Proposed Bartok Statue, Old Brompton Road, S.W.7.

Just over a year ago we granted conditional planning permission for the erection of a statue to commemorate Bela Bartok on the western end of the traffic island just south of South Kensington Station. To date, it would appear that no action has been taken to implement this permission, and both my colleagues and I are anxious to know whether or not this proposal is likely to be implemented.

I have spoken briefly to Malcolm Rudland regarding this matter and he has advised me to contact you direct to establish whether or not funding will be made available for this statue.

As you will be aware, we receive a number of similar requests and if your proposal is not going to proceed within the time limit of the planning permission, the sooner I know, the better, as I will then be in a position to advise on other similar projects.

Finally, I would be grateful to know if, and when, this project is likely to come forward, and if there is no reasonable prospect, then I need to know this also.

Yours sincerely,

M. J. French,

Executive Director, Planning and Conservation.

French, Michael: PC-GrpSvc

From:

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French, Michael: PC-GrpSvc

Sent:

08 July 2002 15:08

To:

Clir-Moylan

Cc:

Wilson, Craig: ES-HwayTraf

Subject:

Bartok Statue, Old Brompton Road

Dear Councillor Moylan,

I have at last received a response from the Hungarian Cultural Centre regarding the above. It is clear that it does not, as yet, have the money and it would appear that it is playing little or no part in fund raising. I have spoken to Mr. Rudland and he is still seeking funds and appears to be no way near the estimated cost.

I would suggest that we leave them to progress this as my understanding is that, at the present time, we do not have an alternative sculpture for this particular site.

M. J. French, Executive Director, Planning and Conservation. 020 7361 2944

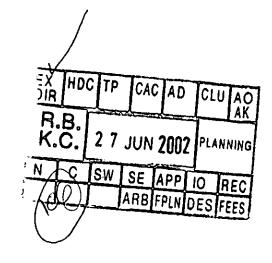


Your ref. EDPC/MJF/PP/

17 June 2002

Mr J. French
Executive Director, Planning and Conservation
The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea
The Town Hall
Hornton Street
London W8 7NX

Dear Mr French



Proposed Bartók Statue, Old Brompton Road, SW 7

Thank you for your letter concerning the erection of the above statue.

The Hungarian Cultural Centre would like to see the realisation of this project. Imre Varga is one of the most prominent sculptors of present day Hungary. The statue itself is beautiful, so I am sure it will greatly benefit the site.

The fundraising, as you know is organised by Malcolm Rudland, we support his activities by advertising on our website www.hungary.org.uk/hungarology.

I hope the necessary funds will be available in time and this very desirable project can go ahead.

If you have further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Ratalin Bogyay
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French, Michael: PC-GrpSvc Daniel Moylan [daniel@durwardhouse.demon.co.uk] From: Sent: 08 July 2002 15:33 To: Michael.French@rbkc.gov.uk Cc: Craig.Wilson@rbkc.gov.uk Subject: Re: Bartok Statue, Old Brompton Road Dear Mr. French, Thank you. I agree. Daniel Moylan ---- Original Message -----From: <Michael.French@rbkc.gov.uk> To: <Cllr.Moylan@rbkc.gov.uk> Cc: <Craig.Wilson@rbkc.gov.uk> Sent: Monday, July 08, 2002 3:07 PM Subject: Bartok Statue, Old Brompton Road Dear Councillor Moylan, I have at last received a response from the Hungarian Cultural Centre regarding the above. It is clear that it does not, as yet, have the money and it would appear that it is playing little or no part in fund raising. have spoken to Mr. Rudland and he is still seeking funds and appears to be no way near the estimated cost. I would suggest that we leave them to progress this as my understanding is | that, at the present time, we do not have an alternative sculpture for particular site. M. J. French, Executive Director, Planning and Conservation. 020 7361 2944 The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea

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This site is likely to be redeveloped next year. Highways & Traffic Contree has been considering a new layout for roads & public Space south of the Station. This may include a large public plaza A Farther report is likely to go to H&T Contree in Spring recommending further consultation. The committee may wish to consider the inclusion of sculpture or ext in the new layout but not recessarily this piece.

Given the likelyhood of change here this application Seems premature. The applicant proposes placing the Statue in a flower bed (existing) not recessarily the best Setting for any work of art. Any Sculpture Should be well placed & fit well within the design of the overall public Space. As the Space here is confused, cluttered & divided into many Small islands by busy read, the proposed Sculpture may add to the general confusion.

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My reference: EDPC/MJF

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Please ask for: Mr. French

Dear Councillor Moylan,

PP/00/2892: Traffic Island adjacent to Melton Court and 12 Old Brompton Road, S.W.7.

Given your current interest in works of art in the public domain, I have received an application for a statue of Bartok outside South Kensington Station. I have enclosed a set of the drawings and would be grateful for any comments you may have.

Yours sincerely,

M. J. French, Executive Director, Planning and Conservation.





