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### **TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1990**

APPEAL .....2 Nevern Place, SW5

I attach for your information a copy of the decision for the appeal on the above-mentioned premises.

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- APP/K5600/H/02/1085899

Date:

3 October 2002

### Dear Madam

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (CONTROL OF ADVERTISEMENTS) REGULATIONS 1992 APPEAL BY MEGAPOSTER UK LTD SITE AT 2 NEVERN PLACE, LONDON, SW5 9PR

I enclose a copy of our Officer's decision on the above appeal.

The attached leaflet explains the right of appeal to the High Court against the decision and how the documents can be inspected.

If you have any queries relating to the decision please send them to:

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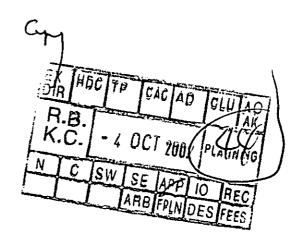
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Yours faithfully

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# **Appeal Decision**

Site visit made on 24 September 2002

## by David Leeming

an Advertisement Appeal Inspector appointed by the First Secretary of State

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## Appeal Ref: APP/K5600/H/02/1085899

## 2 Nevern Place, London SW5

- The appeal is made under Regulation 15 of the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 1992 against a refusal to grant express consent.
- The appeal is made by Megaposter UK Limited against the decision of The Council of The Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea.
- The application (Ref.CA/02/00067/CADV) is dated 17 December 2001.
- The advertisement proposed is an externally-illuminated mesh weave building cover incorporating an advertisement.

## Summary of Decision: The appeal is dismissed.

#### Main Issues

The main issues in this appeal are the visual impact of the proposed advertisement at the site and within the surroundings.

### **Planning Policy**

The Regulations require that The Council refer to their advertisement control policies. decisions be made only in the interests of amenity and public safety. Council's policies alone cannot be decisive. But I have taken them into account as a material consideration.

#### Reasons

- The proposed advertisement would measure 9m by 9m. It would be sited on the north-east flank wall of a four-storey residential property, above built-out shops that front Earls Court The site is within the Nevern Square Conservation Area where special attention must be paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing its character or appearance. A strict control over the display of outdoor advertisements should therefore be maintained.
- 4. The flank wall, together with the one on the property at the other side of the entrance to Nevern Place, forms a large expanse of plain brickwork above the ground floor commercial aspects of the shops facing Earls Court Road. The proposed advertisement would cover most of the wall, presenting a large and uncompromisingly modern-looking advertisement there, above the traditional-style shopfronts.
- In my view, the size, height and general appearance of the advertisement screen, emphasised by the illumination from its assertive projecting illuminated bracket-mounted lights, would introduce an alien and obtrusive advertisement onto the wall. adding an appropriate touch of colour to the flank wall, I consider that its colourful images would be out of keeping with the sober contrast that the traditional brickwork gives to the

- architectural detailing of the windows and other features at the front and rear of building.
- 6. Whilst the display would face a mainly commercial road, it would also be seen in association with the residential aspects of the property above street level and with those it the entrance to the imposing villa-style properties in Nevern Place generally. Viewed in this setting, I consider too, for similar reasons, that the impact of this large advertisement, emphasised by its illumination after dark, would be out of place and intrusive.

### **Conclusions**

7. For the reasons given above and having regard to all other matters raised, I conclude that the display of the appeal advertisement, even for the limited period of one year as proposed, would be incompatible with the conservation status of the area and detrimental to the interests of amenity.

### Formal decision

8. In exercise of the powers transferred to me, I therefore dismiss the appeal.

#### Information

9. Particulars of the right of appeal against this decision to the High Court are enclosed for those concerned.

Advertisement Appeal Inspector