

Dear Roger,

I have been asked by Liz Hobden to respond to your letter of 3 April, sent in your role as Chair of the Regency Society, regarding the recent external decoration of Marlborough House.

We had already been made aware of the carrying out of the external painting and I can confirm that this was carried out without the necessary Listed Building Consent and indeed without any informal notification from the owner. The owner's representative had previously been advised in writing that Listed Building Consent would be required for external decoration and that any such proposal should be based on historic research and evidence. Like the Regency Society we are therefore also very disappointed that this advice has been ignored and that the works have been carried out without the necessary consent.


This matter has been referred to our Planning Enforcement team for initial investigation and we will then consider the most appropriate form of action in order to achieve the best outcome for the listed building. I will advise you further as the investigation progresses.

Yours sincerely,

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