

KIRKLEES METROPOLITAN COUNCIL INVESTMENT & REGENERATION SERVICE

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (as amended) – SECTION 16

DELEGATED DECISION TO DETERMINE APPLICATIONS FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT

Reference No:	2024/44/90044/W
Site Address:	Huddersfield Railway Station, St George's Square, Huddersfield, HD1 1JB
Description:	Discharge condition 3 (roofs) on previous permission 2021/91328 for Listed Building Consent for demolition of roofs B and C; demolition of two bays of roof A at the Manchester end; new section of canopy on the Penistone platform; installation of two new bays on roof A at the Leeds end; re-instatement of lantern to whole of roof A; platform alterations and extensions; new island platform; extension of existing passenger subway; in-filling of disused parcel subway; demolition of signal box, relay room and cable gantry between platforms 1 and 4; re-location of tea rooms; provision of new eastern footbridge and lifts/stairs and canopies; provision of overhead electric line equipment (within a Conservation Area)
Recommending Officer:	Louise Bearcroft

DECISION – SPLIT DECISION-PARTIAL DISCHARGE OF CONDITION 3 SUB-SECTION I.)

I hereby authorise the partial discharge of Condition 3 i.) for the reasons set out in the officer's report and recommendation annexed below in respect of the above matter.

Helen Bower

AUTHORISED OFFICER

Date: 09-Apr-2024

Discharge condition 3 (Huddersfield Station Recording) on previous permission 2021/91328.

Listed Building Consent at Huddersfield Station for demolition of roofs B and C; demolition of two bays of roof A at the Manchester end; new section of canopy on the Penistone platform; installation of two new bays on roof A at the Leeds end; re-instatement of lantern to whole of roof A; platform alterations and extensions; new island platform; extension of existing passenger subway; in-filling of disused parcel subway; demolition of signal box, relay room and cable gantry between platforms 1 and 4; re-location of tea rooms; provision of new eastern footbridge and lifts/stairs and canopies; provision of overhead electric line equipment

Background

The application seeks to partially discharge a condition imposed on a Listed Building Consent for works at Huddersfield Station (application ref 2021/91328). The Listed Building Consent application was submitted by Network Rail alongside a Transport and Works Act Order application for works to deliver the Transpennine Route Upgrade (TRU) programme. The TRU programme is a rail enhancement programme established to increase capacity and improve reliability/journey times between Manchester Victoria and York, via Huddersfield and Leeds. Huddersfield Railway Station is grade I listed and the Listed Building Consent application was considered by the Secretary of State alongside the Transport and Works Act Order, and was approved subject to conditions on 27 June 2022.

The works at Huddersfield Railway Station are a key component of the Transpennine Route upgrade and include:

Platforms – the rearrangement of the platforms to extend their length, widen the current platform 1 and provide a new island platform to the west;

Trainshed Roofs – the replacement of the existing Roofs B and C with a new roof canopy covering the island platforms, as well as the removal of two bays from the southern end of Roof A and addition of three new bays at the northern end. The retained extent of Roof A will be strengthened, and a lantern reinstated atop the roof. New canopies will also be constructed at the northern end of the platforms, while the Penistone Line platform canopy will be extended northwards;

Footbridge – the construction of a new footbridge towards the northern end of the platforms;

Subways – the extension of the existing passenger subway, including realignment of the stairs on the island platform and infilling of part of the redundant parcel subway;

Tea Rooms – the dismantling, storage and reconstruction of the Tea Rooms, with their position altered slightly for the new narrowed island platform; and

Overhead Line Equipment (OLE) – the introduction of OLE throughout the station (aside from on the Penistone Line platform).

Due to the extensive nature of the proposed works at Huddersfield Station, the applicant has previously sought a partial discharge of the listed building consent conditions. The reasoning behind this is to allow specific works to commence ahead of others in a staged approach, and in line with a phased construction programme. It is intended that the undertaking of the earlier

works would inform the submission of future methodologies and specifications to be submitted for discharge in the later stages of the works programme.

Condition 3 (Huddersfield Station Recording)

Condition 3 Wording

3. No works of demolition shall take place until an approved methodology for full structure recording has been approved in writing with the local planning authority. Subsequent recording to the appropriate level (as recommended by Historic England) will take place prior to demolition and be deposited with the West Yorkshire Archive Service and West Yorkshire Historic Environment Record in accordance with the timescales agreed in the approved methodology. The following structures are the subject of this condition:

- i) The entire Huddersfield Station Roof (level 3); and*
- ii) Huddersfield Station Tea Rooms (level 2).*

This application seeks a partial discharge of condition 3 in respect of the proposed works to the trainshed roofs. A previous discharge of condition application (ref 2023/92144) was submitted to approve details for sub-section ii) Huddersfield Station Tea Rooms and a split decision was issued 11 September 2023.

Documents Submitted

- Transpennine Route Upgrade West, Huddersfield Station: Roofs A, B & C Huddersfield, West Yorkshire Historic Building Investigation and Recording Interim Report, dated January 2024. No: V. 2 OA Reference No: L11502

Publicity

The application was advertised by site notice and press notice with the publicity expiring 16 February 2024.

No representations have been received as a result of this publicity.

Consultation Responses

West Yorkshire Archaeology Advisory Service – I am happy for the condition to be partially discharged to facilitate the works, additional architectural and architectural recording to be carried out and a final report produced.

Assessment

Condition 3 requires that no demolition shall take place until a methodology for full structure recording has been approved. Subsequent recording to an appropriate level is then required to take place prior to demolition and be deposited with the West Yorkshire Archive Service and West Yorkshire Historic Environment Record in accordance with agreed timescales. The structures at Huddersfield Station which are to be the subject of historic recording include the Station Roof and the Tea Rooms, however it is the Station Roof (sub-section i) which is the subject of this application, for which a partial discharge of condition 3 is sought.

The document entitled 'Transpennine Route Upgrade West, Huddersfield Station: Roofs A, B & C Huddersfield, West Yorkshire Historic Building Investigation and Recording Interim Report, dated January 2024. No: V. 2 OA Reference No: L11502 has been produced in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) which is included in Appendix A of the document. The necessary fieldwork was completed on 4 October 2023 and the document forms an interim report. Once the scaffolding is erected around

the station, it is intended a further visit will be undertaken to finish recording the structures with a subsequent final report to be produced.

The Council have a statutory duty under section 16(2) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 to have special regard to the desirability of preserving listed buildings or their setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest which they possess.

The principle of a phased approach to discharging the conditions of Listed Building Consent ref 2021/91328 has been previously agreed by officers. The reasoning being that a phased approach is necessary considering the complexities of the works proposed at Huddersfield Station, and the subsequent requirement to have a phased approach to construction. The wording of condition 3 stipulates no works of demolition shall take place until an approved methodology, and subsequent recording to an appropriate level, for the Station Roof (level 3) and the Tea Rooms (level 2) is first undertaken and approved. Officers are of the opinion that a phased approach to the discharge of condition 3, whereby details to satisfy the relevant sub-sections are submitted separately is acceptable. This is because separate approvals of such details, subject to them being prior to the commencement of the relevant works to which they relate, achieves the same outcome and level of appropriate control in line with the stipulations of the condition, and fully considering the significance and heritage value of the grade I listed station. As aforementioned a split decision has previously been issued to approve details for sub-section ii) Huddersfield Station Tea Rooms.

In the case of this application Network Rail are seeking a partial discharge of the individual sub-section i). West Yorkshire Archaeology Advisory Service initially raised concern with the interim document submitted, the substantive issue being that as stated in section 4.5.1 “an additional site visit will be required once scaffolding is erected, and a full final report will be produced following that visit” whilst condition 3 i) clearly states that “The entire Huddersfield Station Roof” must be recorded. They noted that whilst they recognised the work carried out and appreciated its findings, there remains additional work do on site, and did not consider it is appropriate to recommend full discharge at this time.

Network Rail were advised of this but noted that the recording cannot be completed without commencement, as to produce the additional elements of the report it requires the scaffolding to have been erected under Roof A and the strengthening / repair works to the roof to have commenced. This matter was therefore further discussed with WYAAS as to the acceptability of a partial discharge of this sub-section of the condition. WYAAS have since confirmed that they are happy for the condition to be partially discharged to facilitate the works, additional architectural and architectural recording to be carried out and a final report produced.

Recommendation:

Part Discharge sub-section i) of Condition 3 in respect of the recording completed to date of the Huddersfield Station Roofs.

Report Dated: 9th April 2024

Decision Notice Text

The application seeks a partial discharge of sub-section i) of Condition 3 in respect of the recording completed to date of the Huddersfield Station Roofs.

Document Submitted

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Assessment

The details therein are considered to be acceptable for the purposes of a partial discharge of sub-section i) of Condition 3.

This is subject to Network Rail undertaking a further visit to finish the additional recording and produced a subsequent report once the scaffolding under Roof A has been erected, and the strengthening / repair works have commenced. A further discharge of condition application is therefore required prior to the full discharge of sub-section i) of Condition 3.