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Applications cannot be validated until all the necessary documentation has been submitted and the required fee has been paid.

Thank you for completing this application form:

ONLINE REFERENCE 100719532-002

The online reference is the unique reference for your online form only. The Planning Authority will allocate an Application Number when your form is validated. Please quote this reference if you need to contact the planning Authority about this application.

Description of Proposed Works to Listed Building

Are the proposals to alter, extend or demolish the listed building(s)? * ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please provide further details: * (Max 500 characters)

Proposal to form new laboratory and cleanroom facilities within the flat and pitched roof 20th century addition to the Villas Building at the Royal Observatory. The existing facilities have reached the end of their useful life and fail to meet today's standards for energy efficiency and environmental performance. The new facilities are essential in order to meet the changing needs of science and technology and support the continued operation of the site as a place of world-class experimentation.

Has the work already been started and/or completed? *

☒ No ☐ Yes – Started ☐ Yes - Completed

Please Note: it can be a criminal offence to undertake works that require listed building consent in advance of obtaining consent.

Applicant or Agent Details

Are you an applicant or an agent? * (An agent is an architect, consultant or someone else acting on behalf of the applicant in connection with this application)

☐ Applicant ☒ Agent

Agent Details

Please enter Agent details

Company/Organisation:	LDN Architects		
Ref. Number:		You must enter a Building Name or Number, or both: *	
First Name: *	Connor	Building Name:	Gordon Lamb House
Last Name: *	Downie	Building Number:	3
Telephone Number: *	01312222923	Address 1 (Street): *	Jackson's Entry
Extension Number:		Address 2:	
Mobile Number:		Town/City: *	Edinburgh
Fax Number:		Country: *	United Kingdom
		Postcode: *	EH8 8PJ
Email Address: *	c.downie@ldn.co.uk		
Is the applicant an individual or an organisation/corporate entity? *			
☐ Individual ☒ Organisation/Corporate entity			

Applicant Details

Please enter Applicant details

Title:	Mr	You must enter a Building Name or Number, or both: *	
Other Title:		Building Name:	Copeland House
First Name: *	Richard	Building Number:	
Last Name: *	Corrigan	Address 1 (Street): *	Royal Observatory
Company/Organisation	Science & Technology Facilities	Address 2:	Observatory Road
Telephone Number: *		Town/City: *	Edinburgh
Extension Number:		Country: *	United Kingdom
Mobile Number:		Postcode: *	EH9 3HJ
Fax Number:			
Email Address: *			

Site Address Details

Planning Authority:

City of Edinburgh Council

Full postal address of the site (including postcode where available):

Address 1:

VILLAS

Address 2:

ROYAL OBSERVATORY

Address 3:

21 OBSERVATORY ROAD

Address 4:

Address 5:

Town/City/Settlement:

BLACKFORD

Post Code:

EDINBURGH

Please identify/describe the location of the site or sites

Northing

670587

Easting

325863

Existing and Proposed Uses

Please describe the current use: * (Max 500 characters)

The building currently accommodates offices and ancillary administration spaces in the Villas Building with cleanroom and workshop facilities within the flat and pitched roof 20th century extension.

Please describe the proposed use: * (Max 500 characters)

The proposal retains the building's existing uses. Offices and ancillary administration spaces in the Villas Building are unchanged. Existing cleanroom and workshop facilities within the flat and pitched roof 20th century extension are to be replaced with new facilities that meet today's standards for energy efficiency and the address the changing needs of science and technology.

Pre-Application Discussion

Have you discussed your proposal with the planning authority? *

☐ Yes ☒ No

Listed Building Category

Please state the category of listing (if known) of the building in the list of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic interest: *

- ☐ Category A
- ☐ Category B
- ☒ Category C
- ☐ A (Group)
- ☐ B (Group)
- ☐ Ecclesiastical Category A
- ☐ Ecclesiastical Category B
- ☐ Ecclesiastical Category C
- ☐ Don't Know

Demolition of Listed Building

Does the proposal involve demolition of a listed building or a building within the curtilage of a listed building? *

- ☐ Total or substantial demolition of the listed building
- ☐ Total or substantial demolition of a building within the curtilage of the listed building
- ☒ Other (partial demolition or alterations)

Listed Building Alterations

Do the proposed works include alterations and/or extension to a listed building? *

☒ Yes ☐ No

(This may be in addition to any demolition works specified previously)

Does the proposal include:

Works to the exterior of the building? This would include works to any structure or object fixed to the building ☒ Yes ☐ No
Or to any other buildings within its curtilage: *

Works to the interior of the building? This should include any stripping out of any internal features eg. Wall, Ceiling, plasterwork, joinery, panelling, fireplaces, chimney pieces, staircases, ironmongery, doors, flooring, Floor finishes/floorboards, tiling, stencilled decoration, fixed furniture and fittings, including machinery: * ☒ Yes ☐ No

Please state the number of attachments you will be including with this proposal, this may include plans, drawings and photographs sufficient to identify the location, extent and character of the items to be altered, extended or removed, and the proposal for their replacement, including any new means of structural support and detailed specification of proposed finishing materials.

Number of plans, drawings and photographs in total? *

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Proposal Relating to Listed Building

Are there any current applications or existing consents or permissions for this site? *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Proposals Relating to Listed Building

Please describe the application and include the planning application reference number(s), if known: (Max 500 characters)

Programme of internal door fire upgrades and refurbishment.

Reference Number

25/03279/LBC

Are you submitting an application for Planning Permission, Conservation Area Consent or other consent at the same time as this application? * ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes, please provide further details: * (Max 500 characters) Proposal to form new laboratory and cleanroom facilities within the flat and pitched roof 20th century addition to the Villas Building at the Royal Observatory. The existing facilities have reached the end of their useful life and fail to meet today's standards for energy efficiency and environmental performance. The new facilities are essential in order to meet the changing needs of science and technology and support the continued operation of the site as a place of world-class experimentation.
Planning Service Employee/Elected Member Interest Is the applicant, or the applicant's spouse/partner, either a member of staff within the planning service or an elected member of the planning authority? * ☐ Yes ☒ No
Certificates and Notices Certificate and Notice The Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Act 1997 The Town and Country Planning (Listed Building and Buildings in Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Regulations 1987 One Certificate must be completed and submitted along with this form; either Certificate A, Certificate B or Certificate C. Are you the sole owner of ALL the land/building relevant to this proposal? * ☒ Yes ☐ No
Certificate Required The following Land Ownership Certificate is required to complete this section of the proposal: Certificate A
Land Ownership Certificate Certificate and Notice The Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Scotland) act 1997 The Town and Country Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Regulations 1987 Certificate A I hereby certify that – (See the help section for notes) (1) - No person other than myself/the applicant was an owner [Note 1] of any part of the land to which the application relates at the beginning of the period of 21 days ending with the date of the accompanying appeal. Signed: Connor Downie Date: 15/07/2025 13:39:39 ☒ Please tick here to certify this Certificate. *

Checklist – Application for Listed Building Consent

Please complete the following checklist to make sure you have provided all the necessary information in support of your application. Failure to submit the necessary information may result in your application being deemed invalid. The planning authority will not start processing your application until it is valid.

A Location plan which identifies the land to which the application relates drawn to an identified scale
And showing the direction of north. *

☒ Yes ☐ No

A copy of other detailed plans, drawings, photographs (with annotations to describe the details of
Materials and workmanship) as necessary to describe your proposals. *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Elevations. *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Floor Plans. *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Roof Plan. *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Does your plan include:

Sections. *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Perspectives of Photomontages. *

☐ Yes ☒ No

Block Plan. *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Special Detailed Drawing. *

☐ Yes ☒ No

Detailed specification of finishes. *

☐ Yes ☒ No

Current or old photographs. *

☒ Yes ☐ No

What other information are you submitting in support of your application? *

- ☒ Design Statement.
- ☒ Supporting Statement.
- ☐ Condition Survey Report.
- ☐ Feasibility Study.
- ☐ Development Appraisal.
- ☐ Environmental Impact Statement.
- ☒ Conservation Survey/Statement/Plan.
- ☐ Other.

Declare – Listed Building Consent

I, the applicant/agent certify that this is an application for listed building consent as described in this form the accompanying plan/drawings and additional information.

Declaration Name: Mr Connor Downie

Declaration Date: 15/07/2025