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For attention of:
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Your ref:
21/00559/FUL

228 BRIXTON HILL, SW2 – Change of use from A4 to Place of Worship:

Dear Miss Shallcross,

Thank you for your recent letter about the above application.
This is a prominent building near the summit of Brixton Hill, and the Society's comments are as follows:

Historic Interest:

The present premises date from the end of the 19th century, and were used as the Telegraph public house until several years ago.

It appears that no external changes are proposed as part of this application. However, we are anxious to retain the bas-relief design on the front gable, which commemorates the source of the name of a previous Telegraph public house, by depicting the semaphore signal station which briefly existed nearby in Morrish Road some 200 years ago.

Established Use:

It appears that the change of use took place several years ago, so the present application is merely to regularise the situation. There is already precedent in the similar change of use of the former builder's merchant adjacent to a mosque.

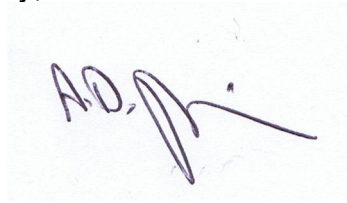
Noise Impact on nearby dwellings:

We are not aware of any recent issues, but since there are residential blocks to the rear in New Park Road, and the former Courtenay House office block adjacent is also now in residential use, it would be sensible to include a condition limiting the hours of operation, to avoid late-night disturbance to nearby residents.

This would ensure conformity with Lambeth Local Plan policy ED7(b).

We would seek a similar condition in the event of resumption of an A4 use.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of the initials 'A.D.' followed by a stylized, cursive flourish.

Hon. Secretary