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23 February 2015

Dear Ms Walton

**Notifications under Circular 01/2001, Circular 08/2009 &  
T&CP (Development Management Procedure) Order 2010  
THE TOWN HALL, THE PARADE, HUGH TOWN, ST MARY'S, ISLES OF SCILLY,  
TR21 0LP  
Application No P/15/009/LBC**

Thank you for your letter of 16 February 2015 notifying us of the application for listed building consent relating to the above site. We do not wish to comment in detail, but offer the following general observations.

#### **English Heritage Advice**

The grade II listed Town Hall at St Mary's has a prominent and impressive facade, as would be expected of a nineteenth century building of civic importance. We note from the submitted drawings for the air conditioning units that they are proposed to be set well back from its front elevation, within a roof valley separating it from its twentieth century extension. As long as the units will not be obtrusive in any views towards the front of the building, and any consent requires their removal if the system is superseded in the future, we do not object to the application. We would sound a note of caution, however, at this application setting a precedent for the location of more equipment in that location, since it could quickly become highly visible to the point where it detracted from the building's facade and significance.

#### **Recommendation**

We urge you to address the above issues, and recommend that this application be determined in accordance with national and local policy guidance, and on the basis of your expert conservation advice. It is not necessary for us to be consulted again. If you feel you need further advice, please let us know why.

Please re-consult us if there are material changes to the proposals beyond those necessary to address the issues we have raised. We will then consider whether such



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changes might lead us to object. If they do, and if your authority is minded to grant consent, you should notify the Secretary of State of this application in accordance with Circular 08/2009.

Yours sincerely

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