



26/02137/LBC Broomfield House, Broomfield Park, N13 4HB

The London and Middlesex Archaeological Society (LAMAS) promotes London's archaeology, local history, and historic buildings. The LAMAS Historic Buildings and Conservation Committee reviews planning applications relating to important historic buildings and seeks to ensure a sustainable future for vital aspects of London's built heritage.

We have noted the above application to dismantle much of the ruin of Broomfield House to create a memorial garden, involving removing unstable walls and adapting sound sections, to facilitate its use as a garden and turn the remaining footprint of the ruin into a garden space. The project is careful and considerate, and recommended.

We have the following suggestions:

1. The surviving fragments of the staircase of 1724 and the fragments of wall paintings, currently in store, should not be forgotten, and an appropriate home must be found for them.
2. The Heritage Impact Statement proposes, and we endorse:
 - (a) Prior to alteration or demolition, the surviving fabric of Broomfield House will be recorded in line with current best practice advised by Historic England.
 - (b) A programme of archaeological investigation will be undertaken within and around the site of the house, including garden and cascade location, lakes at de-silting.
 - (c) A strategy for the conservation of and public access to the stored historic material is to be developed by LB Enfield.

In addition, we think it very important to add that the preparation of a new publication for the academic and general public detailing the history of the site including this project should be one of these commitments, especially by the borough. The authors could be the project architect and others on the project, for instance the archaeologists. This should be required and merited by the importance of the project, both within London and nationally.

Vicki Fox (Hon. Secretary)

LAMAS – Historic Buildings & Conservation Committee

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