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Morning all

See below couple of paragraphs as promised to assist with the report for Amy / OCC. Let me know if you think any tweaks are required, and can put on Estates headed doc if that would suit.

Thanks George

"The asbestos containing plaster identified in the Jackson Wing of the RSL presents the University with a particular difficulty in determining the right way forward when taking into account health and safety, heritage, and project objective considerations. The scope of the entire project is fundamentally linked to, and based on, whether the asbestos containing plaster will be removed or will remain in situ. In order to make this decision, the University needs assurance that the plaster can in fact be fully removed and will not leave a residue to the masonry substrate that requires encapsulation and management as an asbestos containing material. In this scenario the subsequent controls and restrictions on the work that can then be undertaken would be generally the same as if the plaster had been left in situ.

The primary objective of the trial areas is to answer the question as to whether the plaster can be fully removed so that the project can continue with no or minimal restrictions imposed by asbestos. The trial areas have been chosen as they represent the best chance of answering this question: they are of a size that results can be reasonably projected across rest of the affected areas; allow removal to be tested across walls, ceiling and column and the interface between these elements; and offer a chance to test the areas that are most likely to fail. The information that will be gained by these trials can then be used by the University to determine the most appropriate course of action.

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