Date: 30 04 2021

Ref: RT/S73 Planning and Building Control Place Directorate London Borough of Tower Hamlets Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent Second Floor London, E14 2BG

To Whom It May Concern,

## **Section 73 Application**

During the detail design process, it has become necessary to review aspects of the approved Planning scheme to resolve the requirements of the environmental design, in order to create optimal learning environment with regard to meeting good practice standards for daylighting, heating/cooling & ventilation. Environmental conditions are closely related to the concentration and academic performance of students, therefore the proposed changes are considered to be in the best interests of the school and its students.

This has resulted in a minor re-design of the roof, and changes to the windows, however we have maintained the design intent and aesthetic of the original scheme and the overall impact on the scheme is considered to be minor.

The provision of existing & new trees on the site, has also been reviewed in consultation with local residents to ensure they do not cause a nuisance. These proposals have been developed in consultation with the Tree Officer & Biodiversity Officer to ensure the long-term survival of the trees, by virtue of their species, location and size.

We have also met with the Designing Out Crime Officer to discuss improvements which could be made to reduce the opportunity for crime on site – the notes provided represent a set of recommendations and are under review with the Client, we are therefore seeking approval for those which might affect the external appearance only. These are shown on the drawings submitted and relate to the provision of secure fencing throughout the site. This set of notes does not represent a commitment to incorporate all of the recommendations.

All of the required changes and reasoning are described in the accompanying Planning Statement and shown on the drawings provided.

If any further information or clarity is required, please do not hesitate to contact the undesigned.

Yours faithfully

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