

23/05/23 Initial Briefing Session with 2-5 and 6-7

Montague Street

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 2:37 PM

William Horton, BM Project Manager

Sarah Mather, BM Assistant Project Manager

Robert Batrick, BatConstruction Project Manager & Rep for Zorca Holdings

Laith Pharaon, Zorca Holdings

- British Museum team shared proposed plans for the East Road Building and estimated construction programme.
- Laith noted that a full refurbishment of the Grange Hotel is planned.
 - Planning not yet acknowledged for hotel refurbishment, planning submission issued 05/05/23.
 - Intended August 2023 to begin Hotel enabling works and Q4 2024 is current date to complete refurbishment.
 - No guest occupancy in the hotel during their works.
 - Noted that they will need to appoint a party wall surveyor. **Action: SWEC team to send across a list of preferred surveyors.**
 - Noted that they are planning to put a gym in the annex as plan A and plan B is to put the chillers in there.
- Noted main concerns were view from garden for guests and noise.
 - **Action: SWEC team to consider temporary covering to limit visual impact**
 - Noted that early morning noise is not preferable but that from 10:00 onwards would be suitable (post re-opening).
 - Keen to understand what the ERB will look like once complete from their garden and rooms.
 - Keen to collaborate on render/finish colour of the new ERB to limit visual impact.
- **Action: SWEC team to send more detailed programme for ERB across once available.**
- **Action: SWEC team to send across summary pack for SWEC to Laith and Rob.**
- Noted that for ERB demolition works, access to annex roof would be needed.
 - Hotel plan to replace the roof, so would like a better understanding of when we need to access the annex roof.
 - **Action: SWEC team to send across detail on the temporary weather proofing for the annex roof.**
- Rob queried possibility of using the Museum's East Road for delivery of condensers for their plant.
- Noted that the BMs planning application has been issued and acknowledged by LBC.
- Noted that Party Wall notices will likely be served in August 2023 for British Museum works.