IN THE MATTER OF

49 COTLEIGH ROAD, LONDON NW6 2NN

STATUTORY DECLARATION OF FARID GOURJI SHAMASH

I, FARID GOURJI SHAMASH, of Flat 51, 125 Park Road, NW8 7JS do solemnly and sincerely

DECLARE as follows:

 I provide this Declaration in respect of the use of Flats 1-6 at 49 Cotleigh Road, London NW6. 2NN ("the Property"). The property comprises six self-contained flats. This declaration relates to these six separate flats in order to provide evidence of the continuous use of these flats over at least the last 4 years covering the relevant period 01.08.2018 -

01.08.2022.

- 2. 1 am the Director and shareholder of Metropole (Cotleigh Road) Ltd. Metropole (Cotleigh Road) Ltd became the freehold owner of the Property on 27th September 2013 registration number LN120405. The property was already converted into 6 no. flats at the time of purchase. I exhibit at Exhibit FS1 a Title Plan. Exhibit FS2 shows the location plan and floor plans showing the current layout of 49 Cotleigh Road. Exhibit FS3 shows a copy of a letter from the Planning Inspectorate dated 15 03.2011 proving 6 separate flats existed as far back as 2011.
- 3. Exhibit FS4 shows separate ASTs and Statutory Declarations of Sara Testu and Andrew ONeill (long term tenants) covering the relevant period 01.08.2018 01.08.2022 proving 6 separate flats were continually occupied throughout this period. Exhibit FS5 shows property valuations from 2012 and 2013 with plans, layouts and internal photographs showing 6 separate flats. I provide this declaration in support of an application for a Certificate of Lawfulness to confirm that the Property has been in its current use as 6 self-contained flats (Class C3) for more than 4 years and that the use of this Property as such is therefore now lawful.
- 4. Photographs taken from the outside of the properties showing separate doors are displayed at Exhibit FS6. Each of the flats has clearly marked door numbers and their properties.

- 5. Behind each door, each of the 6no flats have their own individual bathroom/WC and are shown at Exhibit FS7. All 6 flats have been continuously tenanted for at least 4 years kitchen, and they are therefore all self-contained (internal photographs of select properties from 15th March 2019 to 15th March 2023.
- 6. There is also the following documentary evidence proving 6 separate, self-contained flats have been rented out and have been in continuous occupation during the relevant period:
- a. FS8 Separate Council Tax bills for the flats;
 b. FS9 Rental schedules for the flats numbers 1-6;
- c. FS10 Housing benefit documents for some of the separate flats;
- d. FS11 a, b and c-A range of rental statements by flat; statements of account by year and bank statements showing transactions for each of the flats proving tenancy payments and occupancy during the
- e. FS12 Insurance letters for 6 separate flats;
- f. FS13 EPC documents for the 6 separate flats;
- g. FS14 HMO license application dated 09/02/18 from Camden
- April 2017. Metropole Properties Ltd was dissolved. Management was then transferred to 7. Please note that Metropole Properties Ltd acted as managing agent for the Property until Metropole Property Rentals Ltd in April 2017. These are two separate limited companies. I was the Director of both Metropole Property Rentals Ltd and Metropole Properties Ltd.
- deal with the repairs, maintenance or related issues in relation to each of the flats. I can 8. All of the properties have been managed by Metropole Properties Ltd/ Metropole Property Rentals Ltd since they were separated into flats. This was well over 4 years ago. They confirm that the internal layout of the flats has not changed since the conversion.
- 9. The flats have all been continuously occupied for over 4 years. The order of occupation for each of the flats is as follows:

Flat 1

This flat has been occupied by Ms Tesfu since 2011 to date on a statutory periodic basis. Statutory declarations from Ms Tesfu and Margaret Taha of Metropole Property Rentals Ltd are provided. Tenancy agreements dated 26/05/2017 and 26/05/2019 are also provided. Further, rental accounts, statements of account and banking information confirms the statutory periodic nature of this tenancy.

Flat 2

This flat has been occupied by Andrew O'Neill since January 2010 to date on a statutory period tenancy. A statutory declaration from Mr. O'Neill and Margaret Taha of Metropole Property Renials Ltd who has managed this property are provided. Tenancy agreement dated 22/04/2017 is also provided. Further, rental accounts, statements of account and banking information confirms the statutory periodic nature of this tenancy.

Flat 3

Tenancy Schedule:

07.06.2017-05.05.21 Mr Khalil Tamimi. This was a 6-month AST dated 07.06.2017 (provided) which became a statutory periodic tenancy. The Statutory Declaration from Margaret Taha of Metropole Property Remials Ltd, rental accounts, statements of account and banking information confirms the statutory periodic nature of this tenancy.

05.05.21-31.05.21 Unoccupied, tenant changeover.

01.06.21-Now Mr Ghazi Tami. A tenancy agreement dated 01.06.21 is provided. This tenancy became a statutory periodic tenancy. The Statutory Declaration from Margaret Taha of Metropole Property Rentals Ltd, remal accounts, statements of account and banking information confirms this.

Flat 4

Tenancy schedule:

26.10.2009 – 13.08.2019 Mr Mathew Moran. An AST from 26th December 2015 is provided. This was a 6-month AST which became a statutory periodic tenancy. The Statutory

Declaration from Margaret Taha of Metropole Property Rentals Ltd, rental accounts, statements of account and banking information confirms this.

14.08.2019 – 10.05.2020 flat unoccupied but furnished as stated in the Council Tax bill provided. The flat was left in a very bad condition, so it needed renovation, cleaning and painting which was done by our handy man (see statement of handyman at Exhibit FS15) about doing the work in the flat. After the decoration when the flat was ready to let, the Covid started and it was very difficult to rent out the flat so it took time.

11.05.2020 to date Mr Ajjaj Abbas El-Enezi. This was a 6-month AST. An AST dated 11.05.2020 is provided. This became a statutory periodic tenancy. The Statutory Declaration from Margaret Taha of Metropole Property Rentals Ltd, rental accounts, statements of

Flat 5

account and banking information confirms this.

Tenancy schedule:

23.07.2018 – 23.06.2019 Mr Badar Husseiny. An AST dated 23th July 2018 is provided. This became a statutory periodic tenancy. The Statutory Declaration from Margaret Taha of Metropole Property Rentals Ltd, rental accounts, statements of account and banking information confirms this.

24.06.2019 – 05.09.2019 flat unoccupied. Petty Cash Voucher dated 15th August 2019 for painting, redecorating and repairs and new furniture is provided at Exhibit FS15a.
06.09.2019 – 06.02.2020 Mr Abdul Shameri. AST provided.
07.02.2020 – 01.03.2020 flat unoccupied, between tenancies.
02.03.2020 – 01.04.2021 Mr Hussain Alshamary. An AST dated 02.03.20 is provided.
01.04.2021 – 08.08.2021 flat unoccupied – Council Tax bill provided. The flat was unoccupied for the above period due to pandemic season and difficulty finding a new tenant. Please find attached the window display (Exhibit FS16) as a proof that we were actively looking for a tenant which finally happened in August after reducing the price.
09.08.2021 – 09.12.2022 Mr Falah Alshamary. An AST dated 09.08.21 is provided.

Flat 6

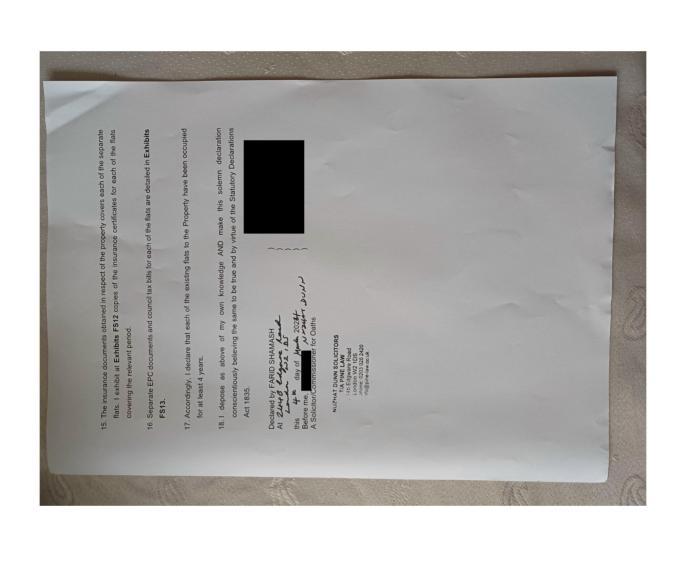
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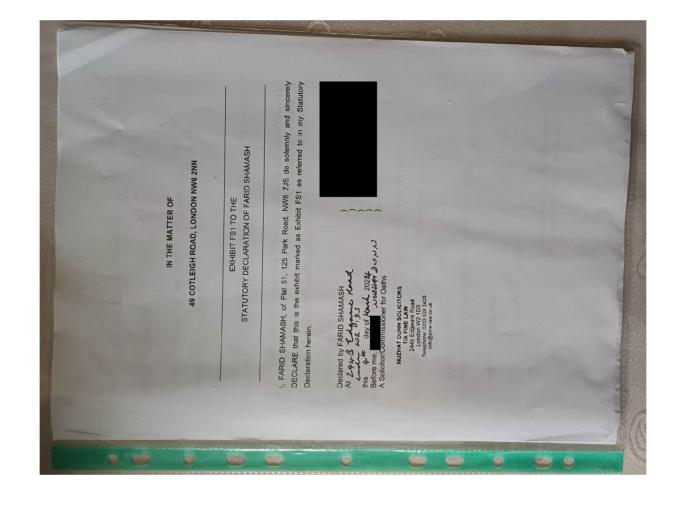
09.09.2009 – 07.10.2019 Mr Mark Williams. An AST dated 9th August 2015 is provided. This became a statutory periodic tenancy. The Statutory Declaration from Margaret Taha of Metropole Property Rentals Ltd, rental accounts, statements of account and banking information confirms this.

08.10.2019 – 15.01.2020 flat unoccupied but was being redecorated/remarketed – Council Tax bill provided. There is also an invoice dated 07.01.2020 for new oven, washing machine and fridge is provided at Exhibit FS15a.

16.01.2020 – 13.08.2020 Mr Muafuq Zahawi. An AST dated 16.01.20 is provided.
14.08.2020 – 03.09.2020 flat unoccupied, between tenancies – Council Tax bill provided.
04.09.2020 – 04.05.2021 Mr Badr Albadr. An AST dated 04.09.20 is provided.
04.09.2020 – 10.05.2021 Mr Badr Albadr. An AST dated 4" May 2021 is provided. This became a statutory periodic tenancy. The Statutory Declaration from Margaret Taha of Metropole Property Rentals Ltd, rental accounts, statements of account and banking information confirms this.

- 10. The statutory declarations from Sara Testu, Mohammad Ali, Andrew O'Neill and Margaret Taha of Metropole Property Rentals Ltd confirm the same.
- 11. Some of the tenants are council tenants and HB documents exhibited at Exhibit FS10 show evidence of payments for those.
- 12. Payments for each of the residents whether on private tenancies or on housing benefits was made into our bank account by Metropole Properties Ltd. Exhibits FS11a, FS11b and FS11c give statements of account and bank statements for each of the flats as well as rental schedule from Metropole Properties Ltd. This proves continuous occupation of the flats from 15.03.2019 until 15.03.2023. This also backs other evidence that there were at least 6 separate flats at the property.
- There were a number of acceptable gaps in occupation in the flats as shown in the list of occupation above.
- 14. I can confirm that each of these gaps for renovation, remarketing and re-letting with the flats staying on the rental books of Metropole Properties Ltd and Metropole Property Rentals Ltd throughout. A slightly longer gap existed in respect of flat 4 between 14.09.2019 and 10.05.2020. The reason was that the flat needed more than usual renovation and it took longer to re-let as a result.







Search for land and property information

Title register for:

49 Cotleigh Road, London, NW6 2NN (Freehold)

Title number: LN120405

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Register summary

Title number	LN120405	
Registered owners	Metropole (Cotleigh Road) Ltd	
	244 Edgware Road, London W2 1DS	
Last sold for	£900,000 on 04 September 2013	
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A: Property Register

This register describes the land and estates comprised in this title.

Entry number	Entry date	
1	1954-09-14	CAMDEN
	·	The Freehold land shown edged with red on the plan of the above Title filed at the Registry and

being 49 Cotleigh Road, London (NW6 2NN).

B: Proprietorship Register

This register specifies the class of title and identifies the owner. It contains any entries that affect the right of disposal.

Class of Title: Title absolute

Entry number	Entry date	
1	2013-09-27	PROPRIETOR: METROPOLE (COTLEIGH ROAD) LTD (Co. Regn. No. 08345093) of 244 Edgware Road, London W21DS.
2	2013-09-27	The price stated to have been paid on 4 September 2013 was £900,000.
3	2023-01-04	RESTRICTION: No disposition of the registered estate by the proprietor of the registered estate is to be registered without a written consent signed by the proprietor for the time being of the Charge dated 9 December 2022 in favour of Paragon Bank PLC referred to in the Charges Register.

C: Charges Register

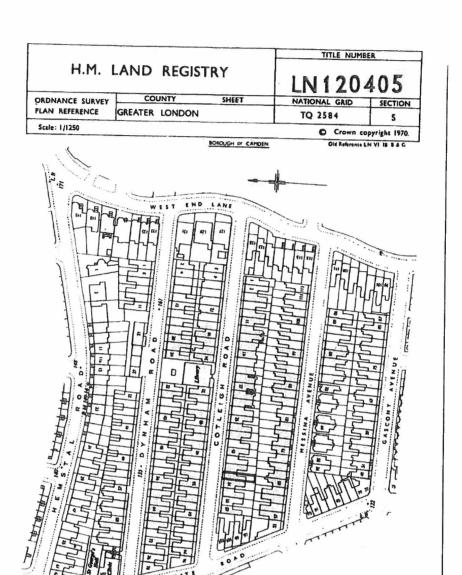
This register contains any charges and other matters that affect the land.

Class of Title: Title absolute

Entry number	Entry date	
1	2023-01-04	REGISTERED CHARGE dated 9 December 2022.
2	2023-01-04	Proprietor: PARAGON BANK PLC (Co. Regn. No. 5390593) of 51 Homer Road, Solihull, West Midlands B91 3QJ.

3 2023-01-04

The proprietor of the Charge dated 9 December 2022 referred to above is under an obligation to make further advances. These advances will have priority to the extent afforded by section 49(3) Land Registration Act 2002.



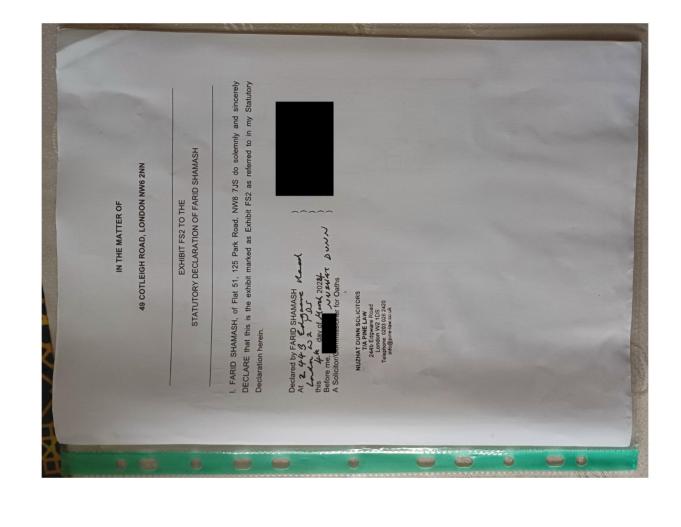
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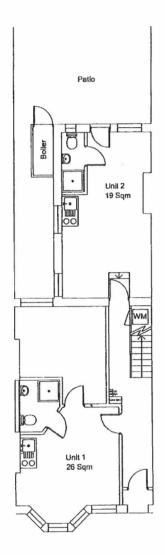
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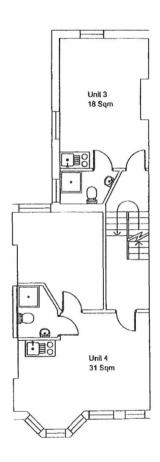
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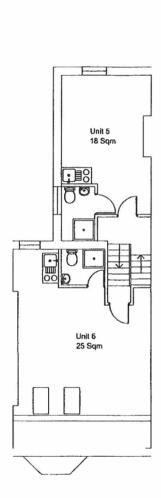




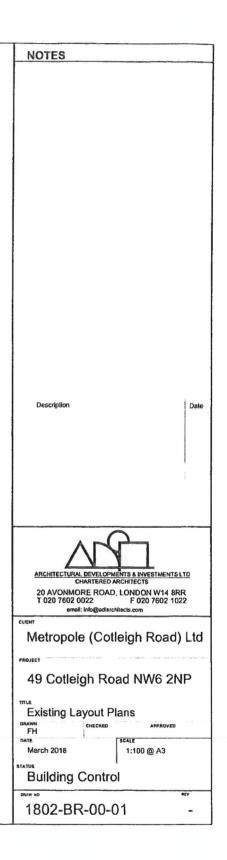
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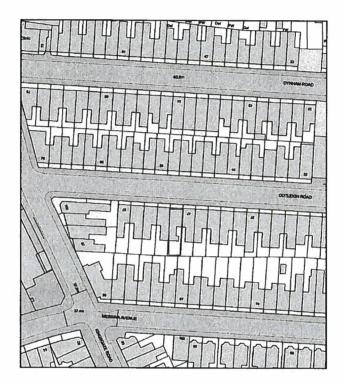
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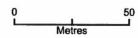
Existing 2nd Floor



Location Plan 49 Cotleigh Road







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