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Dear Sir or Madam,

Re: RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM SHARPS ACOUSTICS LLP

We are writing to address the comments received from Sharp Acoustics LLP regarding the noise assessment (*1015259-HLE-RP-AC-Noise Assessment Report (Planning)-Rev1*) submitted as part of the planning application for the proposed development at Tavis House (2024/1267/P). We appreciate the feedback and have carefully reviewed the concerns raised. Below, we provide our responses and clarifications on the points mentioned:

1. Construction Noise and Vibration:

While construction noise and vibration typically do not require detailed assessment for planning applications of this scale, we acknowledge the importance of mitigating potential impacts. To address this an outline Construction Management Plan (CMP) will be submitted under the existing S106 agreement to ensure any construction noise and vibration concerns are adequately managed.

2. Impact of Vehicle Movements:

The existing building is a large office building. The proposal does not result in a material change in vehicle movements and therefore, it was not deemed necessary to produce a noise assessment to address traffic movements. Construction traffic and construction related noise matters would be dealt with via the existing S106 agreement.

3. Noise-Sensitive Receptors:

We recognise that our initial report focused on residential noise-sensitive receptors and omitted Mary Ward House. We accept this oversight and are revising our noise assessment to include Mary Ward House as a noise-sensitive receptor. This updated assessment has revised the potential impacts on this important venue, it indicates that noise emissions align with the Local Planning Authority's requirements.

4. Compliance with Relevant Guidance:

Our noise assessment was conducted in line with relevant guidance, specifically BS4142 for plant noise assessment, as required by Camden Council's planning policy. We are confident that this approach aligns with best practices for evaluating operational noise impacts.

5. Background Noise Measurements:

The background noise measurements were conducted at locations representative of the closest noise-sensitive receptors. These positions were chosen based on their practicality and security for long-term measurements in the area. The measurement position at the rear of Tavis House was specifically selected to accurately reflect the noise environment in the courtyard. We expect that the noise exposure of the roof-height windows at Mary Ward House will be similar to the

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conditions at Position 2, as both locations are similarly screened from adjacent dominant noise sources.

We hope these clarifications address the concerns raised. We remain committed to ensuring that the proposed development proceeds in a manner that is considerate of its surroundings, including Mary Ward House. We will continue to collaborate with all stakeholders to achieve a balanced outcome.

Please confirm receipt of this letter, and we look forward to your feedback. Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely,

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