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Dear Mr Peres De Costa

Application Ref. 2014/7526/P - Installation of plant, in association with ancillary data storage at sub-basement level, comprising enclosure for 6 chiller units, transformers, emergency generators (with brown roof), acoustic screening and cycle parking all in the rear yard, following demolition of existing plant enclosure and sub-basement wall.

## 1-19 Torrington Place, London, WC1E 7HB

I write on behalf of my client University College London Hospital NHS Foundation Trust ("UCLH") in order to express their support for the proposed development.

UCLH is the freehold owner of the former UCL Student Union and former Royal Ear Hospital, which are both located between Shropshire Place and Huntley Street and abut the south-east corner of the site, as well as various other sites in the vicinity.

UCLH have reviewed the application documents and are pleased to see that the proposals would not abut the boundary with the UCLH properties in Huntley Street, or have any windows facing their demise. In addition, they have also drawn the observations:

- 1-19 Torrington Place appears to UCLH to be an entirely sensible location for the data centre and associated plant considering the size of the service yard, its lack of visibility from the street and minimal impact on (in particular) residential occupiers;
- The development would not be visible from any public vantage point within the Bloomsbury Conservation Area;
- In any event, efforts appear to have been made to screen the development to minimise its impact further;
- There would be negligible noise emitted by the plant;
- The proposals would have a relatively pleasing and high quality appearance relative to the use of the buildings for plant; and,
- The loss of the existing car parking spaces to make way for the proposals is consistent with Camden Council's policy to promote 'car free' developments in this area.





I trust UCLH's comments will be taken into account in the determination of the application, and I look forward to hearing confirmation of the decision in due course.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Roe Associate Director – Planning and Development JLL Ltd.

For and on behalf of UCLH