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Thanks for consulting TfL on this planning application.

TfL engaged positively with the applicant and Council at a TfL Preapplication meeting and the application documents now submitted reflect previous discussions. TfL therefore has no strategic transport objections to the proposal. It is likely that the level of cycling to and from the site has actually been underestimated slightly in the Trip Generation analysis due to the use of 2011 reference data from the UK Census.

The new access arrangement and bus stop relocation are acceptable to TfL in principle, subject to further detailed discussions with TfL Buses to agree implementation. TfL Planning reminds the applicant's design team that funding and further consents will need to be obtained to enable relocation of the bus stop post-consent should the application be granted. These can be dealt with prior to the reoccupation of the building.

24 hour public access through the site via Saffron Hill should be secured by appropriate planning obligations, for the benefit of local pedestrians.

With regard to the Travel Plan, in addition to the main aim of the new Mayor's Transport Strategy that, by 2041, 80 per cent of Londoners' trips will be made on foot, by cycle or using public transport, the MTS also includes the following target: by 2041, for all Londoners to do at least the 20 minutes of active travel they need to stay healthy each day (see page 37 of the current consultation draft).

As a result it is no longer acceptable for Travel Plans to focus solely on reducing car travel or maintaining low existing levels of non car travel. The Travel Plan provided does not contain ambitious enough measures or targets for mode shift to walking and cycling, including away from public transport travel.

We encourage De Beers to engage with our programme of Cycling support here: https://businessoffers.tfl.gov.uk/

And consider offering Cycle Hire travel to staff for free or at a reduced price through our Cycle Hire for Business packages:

https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/cycling/santander-cycles/business-accounts

All Londoners should share in the responsibility to make London a healthier, more active city through transport and travel planning. TfL offers a range of support for this. For further information please see https://businessoffers.tfl.gov.uk/

Thanks and kind regards,

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