17 December 2018 Crossrail Ref: CRL-IP-0044

Dear Elaine.

2018/3876/P: Mecure Hotel 130 - 134 Southampton Row London WC1B 5AF

Alterations and extensions to the existing building comprising a 7 storey side extension (from 1st to 7th floor levels) with a 5 storey rear extension (from 1st to 5th floor levels); erection of a roof extension and alterations to provide an additional storey; erection of 6 storey rear infill extension (from 1st to 6th floor levels); and two storey rear extension (5th and 6th floor levels) all in association with the creation of 18 additional bedrooms to the existing hotel.

Thank you for your letter dated 17 December 2018 requesting the views of Crossrail Limited on the above application and the accompanying Flood Evacuation and Management Plans.

Crossrail is a proposed new railway that will link Heathrow and Maidenhead in the west to Shenfield and Abbey Wood in the east using existing Network Rail tracks and new tunnels under Central London.

The Crossrail Bill which was introduced into Parliament by the Secretary of State for Transport in February 2005 was enacted as the Crossrail Act on the 22nd July 2008. The first stage of Crossrail preparatory construction works began in early 2009. Main construction works have started with works to the central tunnel section to finish in 2018, to be followed by a phased opening of services.

Crossrail Limited administers a Direction issued by the Department for Transport on 24th January 2008 for the safeguarding of the proposed alignment of Crossrail.

The site of this planning application is identified outside the limits of land subject to consultation under the Safeguarding Direction.

Having reviewed the 'Flood Warning And Evacuation Plan' dated November 2018 submitted with the above enquiry I write to inform you that Crossrail Limited do <u>not</u> wish to make any comments.

You may inspect copies of Plans, Sections, Environmental Statements, Explanatory Notes and Non-Technical Summaries pertaining to the Crossrail proposals at specified Libraries, Local Authority Offices or directly from Crossrail Limited. For further information please contact

In addition, the project information can be found on the Crossrail website: www.crossrail.co.uk/safeguarding

I hope this information is helpful, but if you require any further assistance then please feel free to contact a member of the Safeguarding Team

Yours sincerely,

Will Orlik: Safeguarding Officer (Crossrail)