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Sent: 10 September 2019 16:16

To: Sexton, Gavin

Subject: Planning Application 2019/4152/P for Approval of Details & Variation of Conditions of 2018/4242/P. Rockefeller Building 21 University Street London WC1E 6DE

Dear Gavin Sexton

Please ignore my previous e-mail as I have now been able to work out the location of the proposed new air conditioning units on the Rockefeller Building. I am writing on behalf of the Chenies Mews Working Group (of residents) to express the concern of residents about this planning application.

The <u>Plant Details Report Appendices</u> attached to the application says that: "With no additional acoustic attenuation measures, noise levels are predicted to exceed the LBC requirements at the nearest surrounding residential areas to the UCL campus: – 84 Chenies Mews – Janet Poole House, 101-105 Gower Street." I am writing in support of 84 Chenies Mews.

- (a) 84 Chenies Mews is a block of flats and the primary home of a number of households, including families with small children.
- (b) Residents of 84 Chenies Mews are already overburdened by plant noise. Any additional noise, particularly at night, is likely to make living there even more difficult.
- (c) Some of the new air conditioning units are to be installed on a gantry in the courtyard facing No.84 and situated at First, Second and Third Floor levels. They are likely to create more disturbance from being at low level and in a courtyard.
- (d) Some of the acoustic louvres on the gantry (those on the return edge) have been removed from the plans – compare Pages 49 (lower portion of page) and 58 of the <u>Plant Details</u> <u>Report Appendices (Appendix vi)</u>. Also there is no acoustic louvre proposed for the First Floor.
- (e) Only one of the units of rooftop plant proposed has solid screening on the side facing Chenies Mews see Page 56 of Plant Details Report Appendices (Appendix vi).

I appreciate that the acoustics specialist considers that the standards of noise mitigation being proposed are adequate. But I would like to ask on behalf of residents:

- (1) That something better than adequate is aimed for since residents are already overburdened by air conditioning noise.
- (2) That there is a Planning Condition requiring all of the air conditioning in the Rockefeller Building to be turned off at night, weekends and bank holidays as I think happens in another of the buildings affecting Chenies Mews.

Many thanks

Sandra Wheen Member of Chenies Mews Working Group