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Dear Ben Farrant,

I am writing on behalf of Conway Hall Ethical Society to express our support of the refurbishment and restoration of the Grade II\* listed Central Saint Martin's building outlined in planning application reference number is 2020/2470/P on Camden Council's website.

I understand that the proposals will include:

- The refurbishment and restoration of the Grade II\* listed Central Saint Martin's building
- On-site affordable homes
- An hotel, including restaurants, bars, leisure and co-working facilities
- New cultural facilities which would be accessible to the local community as well as hotel guests and visitors
- New workspace/gallery space
- An events and conference space
- New pedestrian routes through the development, a new public space and the reinstatement of the original street pattern
- High quality architectural approach
- An appropriate scale and massing to complement the surrounding area and enhance Red Lion Square

I believe that the project will benefit Conway Hall and the local area by turning a rundown area of Holborn into a thriving part of our economic, social and historic landscape.

Yours faithfully,

Dr Jim Walsh Chief Executive Officer