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Dear Sir/Madam

We are writing in support of the above application in respect of Oriel, the proposed new integrated eye care, education and research centre for the St Pancras Hospital site.

This new centre will clearly play a pivotal role in the social and built environment of the locality and bring new employment opportunities to the community. However, we are, as you might expect, particularly interested in the development in terms of what it will bring to advance the treatment and research into childhood sight loss. The centre will be able to offer the top talent in the field the very best environment both to treat patients and to carry out the vital research required to tackle the causes of sight loss and the treatment of existing conditions. A lighthouse for the very best in ophthalmology.

We have also been greatly impressed by the engagement that the team behind the application has had with those that would directly benefit from the new centre. Young vision impaired people who we work with at RSBC were invited to contribute their thoughts on the proposals and were impressed both by the accessibility of the engagement process and with the proposals that were presented.

We hope that the Council will consider this application favourably and that the Oriel will become a reality.

Yours faithfully

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