**Supplementary Information for Planning Committee - Late tabled paper**

**17th March 2022**

Agenda Item: 8(3)

Application Number: 2020/3107/P

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1. **Additional information relating to the Local Employment obligations**
   1. The Unilateral Undertaking which contained the Section 106 planning obligations for the 2016 approved scheme included a local employment package. This was mainly aimed at the construction phase of the development, however clause 4.3.7 secured 1 x end use apprentice in conjunction with commitments around their pay at London Living Wage, to be resident within the Borough, recruited on a full time basis and on the job training. The additional number of rooms represents a 25% increase in the size of the development albeit that there is no actual gain in floorspace or site area; therefore officers have explored with the applicant whether the end use package can be enhanced in line with that increase.
   2. In response the developer wishes to draw to the committee’s attention that it already operates a foundation (Aziz Foundation) which supports British BAME young people with financial support into higher education. In 2019 the foundation awarded 148 scholarships covering a range of disciplines across over 40 UK universities, where 62% of these were awarded to women. In 2020 the foundation awarded over 200 scholarships at 54 UK universities with over 65% awarded to women. In the current cohort 50 scholarships have already been awarded through 18 partner universities, 45% of the cohort are the first person in their family to enter higher education. Analysis of scholarship recipients confirms that from the current cohort at least five are from London Borough of Camden studying at two well regarded universities (UCL and SOAS) also based in Camden.
   3. Some of the destinations of students who received these scholarships are Law, Nursing, Teaching, and Psychological Therapy.
   4. In monetary terms the applicant states that the average cost of an NVQ level 2/3 apprenticeship (based on London Council’s research) is approx. £2,500 + 20%. The average scholarship provided by the foundation is worth approximately £13,000. Therefore, in terms of economic, social, and educational benefit the applicant feels this more than meets and delivers over and above the equivalent of an additional apprenticeship.
   5. The applicant is prepared to sign up to an additional section 106 obligation to provide a minimum of 1 x scholarship per year ringfenced for residents in Camden for the first 3 years of the development; and in order to more closely align the ongoing work in this respect with the needs brought about by the development the applicant has agreed by best endeavours for these scholarships to be in a hospitality-related discipline. Officers welcome this commitment and consider it to be appropriate and proportionately related to the proposed increase in hotel room numbers in this case.
2. **Section 106 Management Plans**
   1. At para 21.3 of the report it should be additionally noted under the relevant bullet points that revised management plans have been submitted for the purposes of the current application on the following:

* Hotel management plan
* Servicing Management Plan
* Travel Plan

**Revised Recommendations**

Planning permission is recommended subject to a S106 Deed of Variation to include the following:

* an additional Local Employment and Training Contribution of £6,166.28,
* **Minimum of 1 x scholarship to be provided to LB Camden residents each year, for the first 3 years of the development by best endeavours in hospitality related disciplines**

and planning conditions.

**ENDS**