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Hello,

Please could you log this against planning application reference 2022/1041/P.

Thank you

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Dear Ms Walsh

The British Library is an extremely distinguished piece of late twentieth century architecture and one much appreciated by its users .Colin St J Wilson and his partner M.J.Long placed great significance on ,and spent many years refining ,all aspects of the building including the relationship between inside and outside .The existing north elevation and the elements within it such as the circular stair drum balance these aspects very carefully . It is therefore of great concern that the current application by RHSP will seriously damage these aspects.The new building is in my view far too tall and far too close .Good connection of the Library elements is clearly important but could be achieved without necessitating the brutal imposition of a very close vertical 6 storey wall above the library elements which will dominate not just the north elevation but damage many key spaces by affecting their views and daylight .

This cannot be an appropriate way to build next to a Grade I listed building and under the legislation you have the powers to refuse Listed Building Consent and Planning Permission.I would urge you to use those powers .

Yours sincerely

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Best Wishes

David

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