APPENDIX 1.0

The AA's History and Reputation

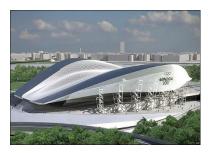
The AA's history and reputation

Established in 1847 and occupying its Bedford Square (London WC1B 3ES) campus since 1917, the AA is considered one of the world's leading schools of architecture. As the oldest independent school of architecture in the UK, the AA has educated more Pritzker Prize Laureates and RIBA Gold Medal winners (the two highest awards for architecture) than any other school in the world. This includes amongst many others those listed below who have created some of the most important buildings in London, the UK and globally.

Olympics Aquatic Centre Dame Zaha Hadid

Westminster Station Sr. Michael & Ldy Patty Hopkins

The Lloyds Building Baron Richard Rogers







The London Eye David Marks & Julia Barfield

The Eden Project in Cornwall Sir Nicholas Grimshaw



The Pompidou Centre, Paris Baron Richard Rogers +



The AA's local and global cultural currency far outweighs its relatively small size, which affords a personalised, high quality education that has characterized the AA throughout its history.

The AA and the London Borough of Camden

Distinguished alumni and graduates of the AA have a long, rich history and connection with some of the most notable buildings and developments in the Camden Borough area. In the 1960's and 70's what is widely considered as a 'dream team' of AA graduates were employed by Camden Council's Architecture Department to produce a series of radically experimental public housing schemes, notably *Dunboyne Estate* and *Alexandra Road Estate* (Neave Brown), *Maiden Lane Estate* and *Mansfield Road Housing* (Gordon Benson and Alan Forsyth), and the *Brunswick Centre* (Patrick Hodgkinson).

Some of the key buildings of the High Tech movement are located in the Borough, designed and built by AA graduates: *Grand Union Complex – Sainsbury's Camden Road*, and the canal-side terraced housing (Sir Nicholas Grimshaw), and **Devonshire Hill/Hopkins House** (Sir Michael and Lady Patty Hopkins).

Latterly, AA graduates and alumni have been at the fore of the redevelopment of the Kings Cross site and most notably *Central St Martins Campus* (Alan Stanton/Stanton Williams), *1 Pancras Square* (David Chipperfield), *4 Pancras Square* (Eric Parry), *Gasholder Apartments* (Jim Eyre/WilkinsonEyre) and *Kings Place* (Jeremy Dixon and Edward Jones).

The AA's relationship with, and contribution to, the locale and the Borough is reinforced by many local practices set up by AA alumni, namely *Cullinan Studio* (Baldwin Terrace, Islington),

vanHeyningenHaward (Harmood Street), Fletcher Priest Architects (Middlesex House), Ron Arad Associates (Chalk Farm) and Alison Brooks Architects (Highgate Studios), and many others.