Subject: British Library extension

Dear Madam/Sir

I write in support of SMBL and the British Library's plans for their extension, planning application reference 2022/1041/P.

UAL is the world's largest creative university, made up of six colleges, with CSM located in the Knowledge Quarter.

We share the ambition of the KQ partners to make the area into one of the world's leading centres for education, innovation and regeneration, within a framework of social justice and good growth.

Many of our students aim to set up their businesses and we are already in discussion with the BL about how we can work even more closely together to support them as well as other local partners.

We understand the extension will provide affordable workspace, which will also benefit local entrepreneurs.

Finally, we support the wider goals of the project with the extra space for study, for the Alan Turing Institute and activities for learning dovetailing with CSM's mission.

If granted, I'm sure we will look back in future years at innovations, ideas and businesses that grew out of this new space and are therefore wholehearted in our support.

All the best

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