Report of the Head of Planning, Sport and Green Spaces

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Development: Change of use from Offices (Use Class B1(a)) to provide a 159 bedroom hotel

(Use Class C1) and the erection of a new single storey side extension, car

parking and landscaping.

LBH Ref Nos: 41331/APP/2015/1886

Drawing Nos: Design and Access Statemen

Location Plan 878 RDP P01 878 RDP P02 (A1) 878 RDP P03 (A1) 878 RDP P04 (A1 878 RDP P05 (A1) 878 RDP P06 (A1) 878 RDP P01-1 REV A

Date Plans Received: 21/05/2015 Date(s) of Amendment(s):

Date Application Valid: 26/05/2015

1. SUMMARY

The application seeks planning permission for the change of use of the existing building from office (Use Class B1(a)) to a Hotel (Use Class C1), including single storey side extension and associated amendments to landscaping and car parking.

There is no objection to the principle of change of use in planning policy terms.

Given the site's context, the scheme raises no adverse amenity issues to residential neighbours, nor does the new side extension's siting and massing prejudice the existing office developments on the adjacent sites. The height of the proposed side extension is consistent with the surrounding development and in terms of visual appearance the treatment of the elevations is considered appropriate.

The car parking provision and highway access arrangements are considered consistent with planning policy and acceptable, including the arrangements for service delivery and quest drop off / collection.

Subject to details, the proposed landscaping of the redundant car parking areas is adequate.

In summary the scheme is considered to comply with relevant London Plan and Hillingdon Local Plan Part 1 and Part 2 policies and accordingly, approval is recommended subject to appropriate conditions and planning obligations.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That delegated powers be given to the Head of Planning and Enforcement, to grant planning permission subject to the following

- A) That the Council enters into an agreement with the applicant under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and/or other appropriate legislation to secure:
- 1. To secure all necessary highway works
- 2. The provision of a Travel Plan, including a bond, which shall incorporate Sustainable Transport Measures such as a hopper bus service, a Construction Management Plan, a Construction Logistics Plan and a Service and Delivery Plan.
- 2. Construction Training: either a financial contribution, or an in-kind scheme delivered during the construction phase of the development, should be secured (in either event the 'obligation' should be delivered equal to the formula of £2,500 for every £1 million build cost plus £9600 Coordinator Costs).
- 3. Hospitality Training contributions or an in-kind scheme
- 4. Air Quality: in line with the SPD and given the site is located in an air quality management area then a contribution in the sum of £25,000.
- 5. Project Management and Monitoring Fee: a financial contribution equal to 5% of the total cash contributions towards the management and monitoring of the resulting agreement.
- B) That in respect of the application for planning permission, the applicant meets the Council's reasonable costs in preparation of the Section 106 and any abortive work as a result of the agreement not being completed.
- C) That officers be authorised to negotiate and agree the detailed terms of the proposed agreement and conditions of approval.
- D) That if any of the heads of terms set out above have not been agreed and the S106 legal agreement has not been finalised before 23/9/2015, or such other date as agreed by the Head of Planning and Enforcement, delegated authority be given to the Head of Planning and Enforcement to refuse planning permission for the following reason:

'The applicant has failed to provide contributions towards the improvement of services and the environment as a consequence of demands created by the proposed development (in respect of construction training, hospitality training, highway works and air quality). The proposal therefore conflicts with Policies R17, AM7 and OE1 of the adopted Local Plan Part 2 and the Council's Planning Obligations SPD and Air Quality SPG.'

- E) That subject to the above, the application be deferred for determination by the Head of Planning and Enforcement under delegated powers, subject to the completion of the legal agreement under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and other appropriate powers with the applicant.
- F) That if the application is approved, the following conditions be imposed:

1 COM3 Time Limit

The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

REASON

To comply with Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

2 COM4 Accordance with Approved Plans

The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out except in complete accordance with the details shown on the submitted plans numbers

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and shall thereafter be retained/maintained for as long as the development remains in existence.

REASON

To ensure the development complies with the provisions Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) and the London Plan (2015).

3 COM5 General compliance with supporting documentation

The development hereby permitted shall not be occupied until the following has been completed in accordance with the specified supporting plans and/or documents:

Arboriculture Report Ref MCA1215/01 Noise Assessment Bird Hazard Management Plan Waste & Refuse management Plan

Thereafter the development shall be retained/maintained in accordance with these details for as long as the development remains in existence

REASON

To ensure that the development complies with the objectives of Policies of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) and the London Plan (2015).

4 NONSC Air Quality - Energy Provision

Prior to ocupation of the development hereby approved, details of any plant, machinery or fuel burnt, as part of the energy provision for the development shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority for approval. This shall include suitable pollutant emission rates with and without mitigation technologies, which needs to be considered as part of a wider air quality assessment, as set out in the EPUK CHP Guidance 2012.

REASON

To safeguard the amenity of the surrounding area in accordance with Policy OE1 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

5 NONSC Air Quality - CHP

Prior to ocupation of the development hereby approved, details to limit and/or control air pollution for any CHP shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The measures shall be provided prior to the occupation of the relevant phase in which the CHP is to be constructed and thereafter maintained for the lifetime of the development unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON

To safeguard the amenity of the surrounding area in accordance with policy OE1 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

6 COM17 Control of site noise rating level

The rating level of the noise emitted from the site shall be at least 5dB below the existing background noise level. The noise levels shall be determined at the boundary of the nearest residential property. The measurements and assessment shall be made in accordance to the latest British Standard 4142, 'Method for rating industrial noise affecting mixed residential and industrial areas'.

REASON

To safeguard the amenity of the surrounding area in accordance with Policy OE1 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

7 COM25 Loading/unloading/deliveries

The premises shall not be used for the delivery and loading or unloading of goods, including the collection of refuse and recycling, outside the hours of 0800 and 1800, Monday to Friday, and between the hours of 0800 and 1300 on Saturdays. No deliveries shall take place on Sundays, Bank Holidays or Public Holidays.

REASON

To safeguard the residential amenity of the occupiers of adjoining and nearby properties in accordance with Policy OE3 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

8 COM30 Contaminated Land

- (i) Prior to works associated with the single storey side extension and any external ground works, a scheme to deal with contamination in accordance with the Supplementary Planning Guidance on Land Contamination shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority (LPA). The scheme shall include all of the following measures unless the LPA dispenses with any such requirement specifically and in writing:
- (a) A site investigation, including where relevant soil, soil gas, surface and groundwater sampling, together with the results of analysis and risk assessment shall be carried out by a suitably qualified and accredited consultant/contractor. The report should also clearly identify all risks, limitations and recommendations for remedial measures to make the site suitable for the proposed use.
- (b) A written method statement providing details of the remediation scheme and how the completion of the remedial works will be verified shall be agreed in writing with the LPA prior to commencement.
- (ii) If during development or works contamination not addressed in the submitted remediation scheme is identified, an addendum to the remediation scheme must be agreed with the LPA prior to implementation; and
- (iii) All works which form part of the remediation scheme shall be completed and a verification report submitted to the Council's Environmental Protection Unit before any part of the development is occupied or brought into use unless the LPA dispenses with any such requirement specifically and in writing.

(iv) No contaminated soils or other materials shall be imported to the site. All imported soils for landscaping purposes shall be clean and free of contamination. Before any part of the development is occupied, all imported soils shall be independently tested for chemical contamination, and the results of this testing shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. All soils used for gardens and/or landscaping purposes shall be clean and free of contamination.

REASON

To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those to controlled waters, property and ecological systems and the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and other offsite receptors in accordance with policy OE11 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

9 COM15 Sustainable Water Management

Prior to commencement of any external works, a scheme for the provision of sustainable water management shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall clearly demonstrate how it:

a) Manages Water The scheme shall follow the strategy set out in the Statement for Sustaibnable Urban Drainage scheme, produced by RDP Architects Limited dated April 2015 and demonstrate ways of controlling the surface water on site by providing information on:

a) Suds features:

incorporating sustainable urban drainage in accordance with the hierarchy set out in Policy 5.15 of the London Plan. Where the proposal does not utilise the most sustainable solution, justification must be provided, calculations showing storm period and intensity and volume of storage required to control surface water and size of features to control that volume to Greenfield run off rates at a variety of return periods including 1 in 1 year, 1in 30, 1 in 100, and 1 in 100 plus Climate change, overland flooding should be mapped, both designed and exceedance routes above the 100, plus climate change, including flow paths depths and velocities identified as well as any hazards, (safe access and egress must be demonstrated).

b) Receptors

- i. Capacity demonstrated for Thames Water foul and surface water network, and provide confirmation of any upgrade work required having been implemented and receiving watercourse as appropriate.
- ii. Where infiltration techniques (soakway) or a basement are proposed a site investigation must be provided to establish the level of groundwater on the site, and to demonstrate the suitability of infiltration techniques proposed on the site. (This should be undertaken at the appropriate time of year as groundwater levels fluctuate).
- iii. Where groundwater is found within the site and a basement is proposed suitable mitigation methods must be provided to ensure the risk to others is not increased.
- iv. indentify vulnerable receptors, ie WFD status and prevent pollution of the receiving groundwater and/or surface waters through appropriate methods;
- d) Minimise water use. The scheme shall also demonstrate the use of methods to minimise the use of potable water through water collection, reuse and recycling and will: incorporate water saving measures and equipment.

provide details of water collection facilities to capture excess rainwater; provide details of how rain and grey water will be recycled and reused in the development.

e) Long Term Management and Maintenance of the drainage system.

Provide a management and maintenance plan for the lifetime of the development of arrangements to secure the operation of the scheme throughout its lifetime. Including appropriate details of Inspection regimes, appropriate performance specification, remediation and timescales for the resolving of issues. Where there is overland flooding proposed, the plan should include the appropriate actions to ensure the safety of the users of the site should that be required.

Where the maintenance will not be the responsibility of an individual householder, the details of the body legally responsible for the implementation of the management and maintenance plan must be provided.

f) During Construction

How temporary measures will be implemented to ensure no increase in flood risk from commencement of construction.

Thereafter the development shall be implemented and retained/maintained in accordance with these details for as long as the development remains in existence.

REASON

To ensure that surface water run off is controlled to ensure the development does not increase the risk of flooding in accordance with Policy EM6 Flood Risk Management in Hillingdon Local Plan: Part 1- Strategic Policies (Nov 2012) Policy 5.12 Flood Risk Management of the London Plan (2015) and National Planning Policy Framework (March 2012) and the Planning Practice Guidance (March 2014).

10 NONSC Energy Efficiency

Prior to the commencement of development, a scheme showing the development can achieve a 35% reduction in CO2 emissions shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall set out

- 1: the existing emissions (regulated and unregulated) associated with the existing development, a similar size new build development built to 2013 building regulations, and the baseline expected emissions from the proposed development.
- 2: The measures (in accordance with the London Plan Policy 5.2 energy hierarchy) that will show a reduction in regulated energy of 35% from the existing development unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.
- 3: Details and specifications (i.e. technology specifications, roof plans etc.) of the chosen low or zero carbon technologies to be used to reach the target.

The development must proceed in accordance with the approved plans.

REASON

To ensure the development contributes to a reduction in CO2 in accordance with London Plan Policy 5.2.

11 COM31 Secured by Design

The building shall achieve 'Secured by Design' accreditation awarded by the Hillingdon Metropolitan Police Crime Prevention Design Adviser (CPDA) on behalf of the Association

of Chief Police Officers (ACPO). The building shall be occupied for hotel use until accreditation has been achieved.

REASON

In pursuance of the Council's duty under section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to consider crime and disorder implications in excising its planning functions; to promote the well being of the area in pursuance of the Council's powers under section 2 of the Local Government Act 2000, to reflect the guidance contained in the Council's SPG on Community Safety By Design and to ensure the development provides a safe and secure environment in accordance with London Plan (2015) Policies 7.1 and 7.3.

12 COM7 Materials (Submission)

No development shall take place until details of all materials and external surfaces have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter the development shall be constructed in accordance with the approved details and be retained as such.

Details should include information relating to make, product/type, colour and photographs/images.

REASON

To ensure that the development presents a satisfactory appearance in accordance with policy BE13 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

13 COM9 Landscaping (car parking & refuse/cycle storage)

Prior to works associated with the single storey side extension and any external ground works, a landscape scheme shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall include:

- 1. Details of Soft Landscaping
- 1.a Planting plans (at not less than a scale of 1:100),
- 1.b Written specification of planting and cultivation works to be undertaken,
- 1.c Schedule of plants giving species, plant sizes, and proposed numbers/densities where appropriate
- 2. Details of Hard Landscaping
- 2.a Refuse Storage (which shall be covered and secure)
- 2.b Cycle Storage (including secure storage for at least 30 cycles)
- 2.c Means of enclosure/boundary treatments
- 2.d Car Parking Layouts, including the provision 40 car parking spaces, including at least 4 disabled parking spaces, and demonstration that at least 12 parking spaces are served by electrical charging points (8 active and 4 passive); and 7 motor cycle parking bays
- 2.e Hard Surfacing Materials (including measures to prevent car parking on the redundant car parking areas)
- 2.f External lighting including for the car park
- 2.g Other structures (such as furniture)
- 3. Details of Landscape Maintenance
- 3.a Landscape Maintenance Schedule for a minimum period of 5 years.
- 3.b Proposals for the replacement of any tree, shrub, or area of surfing/seeding within the landscaping scheme which dies or in the opinion of the Local Planning Authority becomes

seriously damaged or diseased.

4. Schedule for Implementation

5. Other

5.a Existing and proposed functional services above and below ground

5.b Proposed finishing levels or contours

Thereafter the development shall be carried out and maintained in full accordance with the approved details.

REASON

To ensure that the proposed development will preserve and enhance the visual amenities of the locality and provide adequate facilities in compliance with policies BE13, BE38 and AM14 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) and policies 5.11 and 5.17 of the London Plan (2015).

14 NONSC Fire Evacuation Plan

Prior to the first occupation of the development hereby approved, a comprehensive fire emergency plan that demonstrates how disabled people will be safeguarded from fire and enabled to evacuate the building shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON

To ensure that adequate facilities are provided for people with disabilities in accordance with policy AM13 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) and policies 3.1, 3.8 and 7.2 of the London Plan (2015).

15 NONSC Facilities for People with Disabilities

The development hereby approved shall ensure the quantity of accessible bedrooms as a percentage of the total number of bedrooms (as detailed in BS 8300:2009) is no less than

- i. 5% without a fixed tracked-hoist system;
- ii. 5% with a fixed tracked-hoist system, or, similar system giving the same degree of convenience and safety;
- iii. 5% capable of being adapted in the future to accessibility standards (i.e. with more space to allow the use of a mobile hoist, wider doors, provision for services and with enclosing walls capable of supporting adaptations, e.g. handrails);
- iv. 50% of en-suite bathrooms within the required accessible bedrooms to have a level access shower.

REASON

To ensure that London's visitor infrastructure is accessible and welcoming to all sections of the population, including older and disabled people in accordance with policy AM13 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) and policies 3.1, 3.8 and 7.2 of the London Plan (2015).

16 NONSC Car Parking for guests and staff only

The car parking facilities provided at the hotel shall be used by hotel staff and guests only and strictly for the duration of their stay at the hotel. Prior to occupation of the hotel, a car parking management strategy shall be submitted to demonstrate how this will be managed

and to ensure the efficient operation of the car park, especially at peak demand periods. The approved strategy shall be implemented as soon as the hotel is brought into use and the strategy shall remain in place thereafter. Any changes to the strategy shall be agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON

To ensure suitable parking provision is provided on the site, in accordance with policies AM2 and AM7 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) and Chapter 6 of the London Plan (2015).

17 NONSC Air Extraction

No air extraction or air conditioning systems shall be used on the premises until a scheme for the control of noise and odour emanating from the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall include such combination of measures as may be approved by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter, the scheme shall be implemented and maintained in full compliance with the approved measures.

REASON

To safeguard the amenity of the occupants of surrounding properties in accordance with policy OE1 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

18 COM27 Traffic Arrangements - submission of details

Development shall not begin until details of all traffic arrangements (including where appropriate carriageways, footways, turning space, safety strips, sight lines at road junctions, kerb radii, car parking areas and marking out of spaces, loading facilities, closure of existing access and means of surfacing) have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The approved development shall not be occupied until all such works have been constructed in accordance with the approved details. Thereafter, the parking areas, sight lines and loading areas must be permanently retained and used for no other purpose at any time. Disabled parking bays shall be a minimum of 4.8m long by 3.6m wide, or at least 3.0m wide where two adjacent bays may share an unloading area.

REASON

To ensure pedestrian and vehicular safety and convenience and to ensure adequate offstreet parking, and loading facilities in compliance with policy AM14 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) and Chapter 6 of the London Plan (2015).

19 NONSC Archaeology

- A) No development shall take place until the applicant (or their heirs and successors in title) has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological investigation in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved by the local planning authority in writing.
- B) No development or demolition shall take place other that in accordance with the Written Scheme of Investigation approved under Part(A).
- C) The development shall not be occupied until the site investigation and post investigation assessment has been completed in accordance with the programme set out in the Written Scheme of Investigation approved under Part (A), and the provision made for analysis, publication and dissemination of the results and archive deposition has been secured.

REASON

Heritage assets of archaeological interest are expected to survive on the site. The Local Planning Authority wishes to secure the provision of appropriate archaeological investigation, including the publication of results, in accordance with Policy BE3 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) and the NPPF.

INFORMATIVES

1 I52 Compulsory Informative (1)

The decision to GRANT planning permission has been taken having regard to all relevant planning legislation, regulations, guidance, circulars and Council policies, including The Human Rights Act (1998) (HRA 1998) which makes it unlawful for the Council to act incompatibly with Convention rights, specifically Article 6 (right to a fair hearing); Article 8 (right to respect for private and family life); Article 1 of the First Protocol (protection of property) and Article 14 (prohibition of discrimination).

2 I53 Compulsory Informative (2)

The decision to GRANT planning permission has been taken having regard to the policies and proposals in the Hillingdon Unitary Development Plan Saved Policies (September 2007) as incorporated into the Hillingdon Local Plan (2012) set out below, including Supplementary Planning Guidance, and to all relevant material considerations, including the London Plan (July 2011) and national guidance.

AM13	AM13 Increasing the ease of movement for frail and elderly people and people with disabilities in development schemes through (where appropriate): - (i) Dial-a-ride and mobility bus services (ii) Shopmobility schemes
	(iii) Convenient parking spaces(iv) Design of road, footway, parking and pedestrian and street furniture schemes
AM14	New development and car parking standards.
AM2	Development proposals - assessment of traffic generation, impact on congestion and public transport availability and capacity
AM7	Consideration of traffic generated by proposed developments.
AM8	Priority consideration to pedestrians in the design and implementatio of road construction and traffic management schemes
BE13	New development must harmonise with the existing street scene.
BE15	Alterations and extensions to existing buildings
BE18	Design considerations - pedestrian security and safety
BE20	Daylight and sunlight considerations.
BE21	Siting, bulk and proximity of new buildings/extensions.
BE24	Requires new development to ensure adequate levels of privacy to neighbours.
BE38	Retention of topographical and landscape features and provision of new planting and landscaping in development proposals.
OE1	Protection of the character and amenities of surrounding properties and the local area
OE11	Development involving hazardous substances and contaminated land requirement for ameliorative measures
OE8	Development likely to result in increased flood risk due to additional surface water run-off - requirement for attenuation measures

T2	Location of tourist accommodation and conference facilities
T4	Hotels, guest houses and other tourist accommodation - location,
	amenity and parking requirements
LPP 2.6	(2011) Outer London: vision and strategy
LPP 2.7	(2011) Outer London: economy
LPP 2.8	(2011) Outer London: Transport
LPP 4.1	(2011) Developing London's economy
LPP 4.5	(2011) London's Visitor Infrastructure
LPP 5.1	(2011) Climate Change Mitigation
LPP 5.10	(2011) Urban Greening
LPP 5.12	(2011) Flood risk management
LPP 5.13	(2011) Sustainable drainage
LPP 5.2	(2011) Minimising Carbon Dioxide Emissions
LPP 5.21	(2011) Contaminated land
LPP 5.3	(2011) Sustainable design and construction
LPP 5.4	(2011) Retrofitting
LPP 5.7	(2011) Renewable energy
LPP 6.1	(2011) Strategic Approach
LPP 6.10	(2011) Walking
LPP 6.11	(2011) Smoothing Traffic Flow and Tackling Congestion and reducing
	traffic
LPP 6.13	(2011) Parking
LPP 6.5	(2011) Funding Crossrail and other strategically important transport
. ==	infrastructure
LPP 6.9	(2011) Cycling
LPP 7.1	(2011) Building London's neighbourhoods and communities
LPP 7.13	(2011) Safety, security and resilience to emergency
LPP 7.14	(2011) Improving air quality
LPP 7.15	(2011) Reducing noise and enhancing soundscapes
LPP 7.2	(2011) An inclusive environment
LPP 7.3	(2011) Designing out crime
LPP 7.4	(2011) Local character
LPP 7.6	(2011) Architecture
LPP 8.2	(2011) Planning obligations

3 I14C Compliance with Building Regulations Access to and use of

You are advised that the scheme is required to comply with either:

- \cdot The Building Regulations 2000 Approved Document Part M 'Access to and use of buildings', or with
- BS 8300:2001 Design of buildings and their approaches to meet the needs of disabled people Code of practice. AMD 15617 2005, AMD 15982 2005.

These documents (which are for guidance) set minimum standards to allow residents, workers and visitors, regardless of disability, age or gender, to gain access to and within buildings, and to use their facilities and sanitary conveniences.

You may also be required make provisions to comply with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995. The Act gives disabled people various rights. Under the Act it is unlawful for employers and persons who provide services to members of the public to discriminate

against disabled people by treating them less favourably for any reason related to their disability, or by failing to comply with a duty to provide reasonable adjustments. This duty can require the removal or modification of physical features of buildings provided it is reasonable.

The duty to make reasonable adjustments can be effected by the Building Regulation compliance. For compliance with the DDA please refer to the following guidance: -

- · The Disability Discrimination Act 1995. Available to download from www.opsi.gov.uk
- Disability Rights Commission (DRC) Access statements. Achieving an inclusive environment by ensuring continuity throughout the planning, design and management of building and spaces, 2004. Available to download from www.drc-gb.org.
- Code of practice. Rights of access. Goods, facilities, services and premises. Disability discrimination act 1995, 2002. ISBN 0 11702 860 6. Available to download from www.drcgb.org.
- · Creating an inclusive environment, 2003 & 2004 What it means to you. A guide for service providers, 2003. Available to download from www.drc-gb.org.

This is not a comprehensive list of Building Regulations legislation. For further information you should contact Building Control on 01895 250804.

4 I15 Control of Environmental Nuisance from Construction Work Nuisance from demolition and construction works is subject to control under The Control of Pollution Act 1974, the Clean Air Acts and other related legislation. In particular, you should

ensure that the following are complied with:-

- A. Demolition and construction works which are audible at the site boundary shall only be carried out between the hours of 08.00 and 18.00 hours Monday to Friday and between the hours of 08.00 hours and 13.00 hours on Saturday. No works shall be carried out on Sundays, Bank or Public Holidays.
- B. All noise generated during such works shall be controlled in compliance with British Standard Code of Practice BS 5228:2009.
- C. Dust emissions shall be controlled in compliance with the Mayor of London's Best Practice Guidance' The Control of dust and emissions from construction and demolition.
- D. No bonfires that create dark smoke or nuisance to local residents.

You are advised to consult the Council¿s Environmental Protection Unit (www.hillingdon.gov.uk/noise Tel. 01895 250155) or to seek prior approval under Section 61 of the Control of Pollution Act if you anticipate any difficulty in carrying out construction other than within the normal working hours set out in (A) above, and by means that would minimise disturbance to adjoining premises.

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Condition 5 relates to the operational phase of the commercial development and is intended for the protection of future occupants in a designated AQMA and Smoke Control Area.

Advice on the assessment of CHPs is available from EPUK at: http://www.iaqm.co.uk/text/guidance/epuk/chp_guidance.pdf. An area up to a distance of 10 times the appropriate stack height needs to be assessed. They should contact the Environmental Protection Unit if they have any queries.

6 I28 Food Hygiene

The Council's Commercial Premises Section should be consulted prior to the use of the premises so as to ensure compliance with the Food Safety Registration Regulations 1990, Hygiene (General) Regulations 1970, The Food Act 1984, The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and any other relevant legislation. Contact: - Commercial Premises Section, 4W/04, Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge, UB8 1UW (Telephone 01895 250190).

7 I58 Opportunities for Work Experience

The developer is requested to maximise the opportunities to provide high quality work experience for young people (particularly the 14 - 19 age group) from the London Borough of Hillingdon, in such areas as bricklaying, plastering, painting and decorating, electrical installation, carpentry and landscaping in conjunction with the Hillingdon Education and Business Partnership.

Please contace: Mr Peter Sale, Chief Executive Officer, Hillingdon Training Ltd: contact details - c/o Hillingdon Training Ltd, Unit A, Eagle Office Centre, The Runway, South Ruislip, HA4 6SE Tel: 01895 671 976 email: petersale@hillingdontraining.co.uk

8 I60 Cranes

Given the nature of the proposed development it is possible that a crane may be required during its construction. The applicant's attention is drawn to the requirement within the British Standard Code of Practice for the safe use of Cranes, for crane operators to consult the aerodrome before erecting a crane in close proximity to an aerodrome. This is explained further in Advice Note 4, 'Cranes and Other Construction Issues' (available at www.aoa.org.uk/publications/safeguarding.asp)

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You are advised that the development hereby approved represents chargeable development under the Community Infrastructure Levy. The applicant will be liable to pay the Community Infrastructure Levy on commencement of this development. A separate liability notice will be issued by the Local Planning Authority, however you are advised that it is your responsibility to notify the Local Planning Authority of the anticipated commencement date and any changes in liability through submission of the appropriate forms.

Should you require further information please refer to the Council's Website (http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/index.jsp?articleid=24738).

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With respect to the archaeological condition 20, the applicant is advised that the written scheme of investigation should be prepared and implemented by a suitably qualified archaeological practice in accordance with English Heritage Greater London Archaeology guidelines. It must be approved by the planning authority before any on-site development related activity occurs.

A watching brief involves the proactive engagement with the development groundworks to

permit

investigation and recording of features of archaeological interest which are revealed. A suitable working method with contingency arrangements for significant discoveries will need to be agreed. The outcome will be a report and archive. The applicant's archaeological scheme will need to identify where groundworks could reveal archaeological remains and make provision for appropriate monitoring and recording.

3. CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 Site and Locality

Heathrow Point West is situated on the North side of Bath Road (A4) north of Heathrow Airport which is located to the south of the A4.

Heathrow Point West is a three storey office building totaling approximately 5,096.7 sq m, located on a site with an area of 0.9 hectares. Boltons Lane lies to the west of the site boundary and Mondial Way to the north. The site bounded on the east by Amadeus Building and Samsonite House, both offices. The main access to the site is from the junction of Boltons Way and Mondial Way.

The building is set within a well-planted site, with tree and shrubs / hedges around all boundaries and between the two car parks, situated to the north and west of the building. However, some of the planted areas are tired-looking /suffering from a lack of maintenance and are in need of rejuvenation.

The site lies within the proposed Heathrow Archaeological Priority Zone.

3.2 Proposed Scheme

Planning permission is sought for the change of use from class B1(a) to C1, involving the conversion of the existing office building into a 159 bed hotel and erection of new 185 sq metre single storey side extension.

The ground floor will accommodate the front reception desk, concierge, lobby male and female toilets, left luggage store, bar and restaurant and meeting rooms as well as the back of the house activity. The ground floor will also accommodate some guest rooms to the west of the building. The first and second floor will accommodate 112 guest bedrooms whilst the third floor will accommodate 22 rooms and plant room. The rooms are arranged around a central atrium which echoes the rectangular shape of the building and the site.

The external areas of the site to be developed to include vehicular and pedestrian access routes, enhanced landscaping to the redundant parking areas located to the north and west of the building, as well as internal amenity space for the hotel guests within the internal covered courtyard.

The site will accommodate 40 parking spaces, 3 taxi stands, 3 coach parking spaces, 7 motor bike stands, 30 cycle stands and integral refuse bin areas. The parking will also provide active and passive electric vehicle charging points.

The following documents have been submitted in support of the application:

1. Air Quality Assessment

- 2. Energy Assessment
- 3. Transport Statement
- 4. Travel Plan -
- 5. Arboriculture Report & Landscaping Details
- 6. Noise Assessment
- 7. Soil Contamination
- 8. AM PM Hotel Market Snapshot.
- 9. Hotel Brand and Interest Report
- 10. Financing and Development Finance Approval Report from Bank.
- 11. Bird Hazard Management Plan
- 12. Waste & Refuse management Plan
- 13. Sustainable Urban Drainage Plan
- 14. Site & topography survey

3.3 Relevant Planning History

41331/88/0087 2 Mondial Way Harlington

Erec of 3-storey office bldg. comprising 5574m2 (60,000 sq ft) with assoc parking, landscaping

Decision: 01-07-1988 Approved

41331/APP/2015/1724 Heathrow Point East 234 Bath Road Harlington

Retention of existing pay and display car park and installation of 2 ticket machines for a temporary period of 12 months

Decision: 16-07-2015 Refused

Comment on Relevant Planning History

An application for the retention of existing pay and display car park and installation of 2 ticket machines for a temporary period of 12 months was refused on 16-07-15.

4. Planning Policies and Standards

UDP / LDF Designation and London Plan

The following UDP Policies are considered relevant to the application:-

Part 1 Policies:

PT1.BE1	(2012) Built Environment
PT1.E1	(2012) Managing the Supply of Employment Land
PT1.E3	(2012) Strategy for Heathrow Opportunity Area
PT1.E7	(2012) Raising Skills
PT1.EM1	(2012) Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation
PT1.EM11	(2012) Sustainable Waste Management
PT1.EM6	(2012) Flood Risk Management

PT1.EM7	(2012) Biodiversity and Geological Conservation
PT1.EM8	(2012) Land, Water, Air and Noise
PT1.T4	(2012) Heathrow Airport
Part 2 Policie	
AM13	AM13 Increasing the ease of movement for frail and elderly people and people with disabilities in development schemes through (where appropriate): - (i) Dial-a-ride and mobility bus services (ii) Shopmobility schemes (iii) Convenient parking spaces (iv) Design of road, footway, parking and pedestrian and street furniture schemes
AM14	New development and car parking standards.
AM2	Development proposals - assessment of traffic generation, impact on congestion and public transport availability and capacity
AM7	Consideration of traffic generated by proposed developments.
AM8	Priority consideration to pedestrians in the design and implementation of road construction and traffic management schemes
BE13	New development must harmonise with the existing street scene.
BE15	Alterations and extensions to existing buildings
BE18	Design considerations - pedestrian security and safety
BE20	Daylight and sunlight considerations.
BE21	Siting, bulk and proximity of new buildings/extensions.
BE24	Requires new development to ensure adequate levels of privacy to neighbours.
BE38	Retention of topographical and landscape features and provision of new planting and landscaping in development proposals.
OE1	Protection of the character and amenities of surrounding properties and the local area
OE11	Development involving hazardous substances and contaminated land - requiremer for ameliorative measures
OE8	Development likely to result in increased flood risk due to additional surface water run-off - requirement for attenuation measures
T2	Location of tourist accommodation and conference facilities
T4	Hotels, guest houses and other tourist accommodation - location, amenity and parking requirements
LPP 2.6	(2011) Outer London: vision and strategy
LPP 2.7	(2011) Outer London: economy
LPP 2.8	(2011) Outer London: Transport
LPP 4.1	(2011) Developing London's economy

LPP 4.5	(2011) London's Visitor Infrastructure
LPP 5.1	(2011) Climate Change Mitigation
LPP 5.10	(2011) Urban Greening
LPP 5.12	(2011) Flood risk management
LPP 5.13	(2011) Sustainable drainage
LPP 5.2	(2011) Minimising Carbon Dioxide Emissions
LPP 5.21	(2011) Contaminated land
LPP 5.3	(2011) Sustainable design and construction
LPP 5.4	(2011) Retrofitting
LPP 5.7	(2011) Renewable energy
LPP 6.1	(2011) Strategic Approach
LPP 6.10	(2011) Walking
LPP 6.11	(2011) Smoothing Traffic Flow and Tackling Congestion and reducing traffic
LPP 6.13	(2011) Parking
LPP 6.5	(2011) Funding Crossrail and other strategically important transport infrastructure
LPP 6.9	(2011) Cycling
LPP 7.1	(2011) Building London's neighbourhoods and communities
LPP 7.13	(2011) Safety, security and resilience to emergency
LPP 7.14	(2011) Improving air quality
LPP 7.15	(2011) Reducing noise and enhancing soundscapes
LPP 7.2	(2011) An inclusive environment
LPP 7.3	(2011) Designing out crime
LPP 7.4	(2011) Local character
LPP 7.6	(2011) Architecture
LPP 8.2	(2011) Planning obligations

5. Advertisement and Site Notice

5.1 Advertisement Expiry Date:- 23rd June 2015

5.2 Site Notice Expiry Date:- Not applicable

6. Consultations

External Consultees

Consultation letters were sent to 38 local owner/occupiers on 29/05/2015. The application was also advertised by way of site and press notices. One letter of objection has been received which raises the following concerns:

- . This will increase traffic, noise and pollution in Heathrow Villages.
- . There are already enough hotels.
- . No more airport hotels should be built in our community.

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON (TfL)

- 1. The proposed development is situated on A4 Bath Road, which forms part of the Transport for London Road Network (TLRN).
- 2. The proposal to provide 30 cycle parking spaces meets the latest 2015 London Plan cycle parking standards; however TfL is concerned that the proposed cycle store location, which is close to the servicing vehicle turning area will increase risk of conflicts between cyclists and servicing vehicles, which is often HGV would not be desirable. Therefore it requests that the cycle store be located away from the servicing area and be closer to the hotel entrance where possible for safety and convenience.
- 3. The proposal to provide 133 car parking spaces for the 159 room hotels is considered excessive; TfL noted that all of the recent hotel proposals on the A4 in the vicinity of Heathrow Airport have a significantly lower parking ratio to reflect the site's good accessibility to Heathrow by public transport. TfL therefore requests that car parking provision be reduced significantly, a recommended ratio of approximately 0.3 should be achieved. As highway network around Heathrow Airport is busy for most parts of the day, therefore it would be necessary to adopt a restrain approach to ensure proposed development would not generate excessive number of car trips, but encourage the use of other sustainable modes of the transport, this would avoid adding further pressure onto the network.
- 4. Notwithstanding the ultimate level of car parking to be agreed, TfL is content with the proposed level of provision for disabled parking, coach and taxi bays. The provision of 23 electric vehicle charging points (EVCP) is considered satisfactorily.
- 5. TfL recommends that direct pedestrian and cycle access should be provided from A4 Bath Road, this will provide better bus access to guests as well as those using the existing cycle facility on A4 Bath Road.
- 6. A delivery & servicing plan (DSP) should be implemented to rationalise servicing vehicle activities, this should be secured by planning condition.
- 7. The finalised travel plan for the proposal should be secured by s106 agreement with Hillingdon Council. It is recommended that the hotel shall work with local operator to enable the Hotel Hoppa shuttle service to serve this particular site.
- 8. A construction management plan (CMP) and construction logistics plan (CLP) should be submitted for Hillingdon Council and TfL's approval prior to construction commences on site. The plans should be produced in accordance with TfL's CLP guidance, and employed contractors/ suppliers are expected be members of the TfL Freight Operator Recognition Scheme (FORS), where trainings are provided to drivers with vehicles equipped with safety apparatus to reduce collision risks with vulnerable road users, i.e. cyclists and pedestrians.

In summary, the applicant is required to address the issues raised above satisfactorily, in particular car parking to ensure the proposed development complies with London Plan policy and acceptable in transport and highway terms.

(Officer Note: The on site car parking has been reduced from 133 to 40 spaces. A construction management plan (CMP), construction logistics plan (CLP) and delivery & servicing plan (DSP) are secured by the S106 Agreement).

THE GREATER LONDON ARCHAEOLOGICAL ADVISORY SERVICE (GLAAS)

The Greater London Archaeological Advisory Service (GLAAS) provides archaeological advice to

boroughs in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and GLAAS Charter.

The above planning application either affects a heritage asset of archaeological interest or lies in an area where such assets are expected. However, the development appears to involve only relatively small-scale groundworks and there is unlikely to be good survival beneath the modern building.

The National Planning Policy Framework (Section 12) and the London Plan (2011 Policy 7.8) emphasise that the conservation of archaeological interest is a material consideration in the planning process. Paragraph 128 of the NPPF says that applicants should submit desbased assessments, and where appropriate undertake field evaluation, to describe the significance of heritage assets and how they would be affected by the proposed development. This information should be supplied to inform the planning decision. If planning consent is granted paragraph 141 of the NPPF says that applicants should be required to record and advance understanding of the significance of any heritage assets to be lost (wholly or in part) and to make this evidence publicly available.

Appraisal of this application using the Greater London Historic Environment Record and information submitted with the application indicates that the development would not cause sufficient harm to justify refusal of planning permission provided that a condition is applied to require an investigation to be undertaken to advance understanding. The archaeological interest should be conserved by attaching a condition as follows:

Heritage assets of archaeological interest are expected to survive on the site. The planning authority wishes to secure the provision of appropriate archaeological investigation, including the publication of results.

- A) No development shall take place until the applicant (or their heirs and successors in title) has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological investigation in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved by the local planning authority in writing.
- B) No development or demolition shall take place other that in accordance with the Written Scheme of Investigation approved under Part(A).
- C) The development shall not be occupied until the site investigation and post investigation assessment has been completed in accordance with the programme set out in the Written Scheme of Investigation approved under Part (A), and the provision made for analysis, publication and dissemination of the results and archive deposition has been secured.

The written scheme of investigation will need to be prepared and implemented by a suitably qualified archaeological practice in accordance with English Heritage Greater London Archaeology guidelines. It must be approved by the planning authority before any on-site development related activity occurs

It is recommended that the archaeological fieldwork should comprise of the following:

This application lies within the Heathrow Archaeological Priority Zone defined in the Hillingdon Local Plan so the assertion in the Design & Access Statement (6.4) that it doesn't lie in an archaeological zone is incorrect. The zone reflects the well documented and extensive archaeological interest in the Heathrow area which is summarised in the Council's review document. At approximately 1 hectare, this is a fairly large site so the application should have been supported by an archaeological desk-based assessment.

Watching Brief

A watching brief involves the proactive engagement with the development groundworks to permit investigation and recording of features of archaeological interest which are revealed. A suitable working method with contingency arrangements for significant discoveries will need to be agreed. The

outcome will be a report and archive. The applicant's archaeological scheme will need to identify where groundworks could reveal archaeological remains and make provision for appropriate monitoring and recording.

(Officer note: A programme of archaeological investigation has been secured by condition).

HARLINGTON VILLAGE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION - No response.

HARMONDSWORTH AND SIPSON RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION - No response.

HEATHROW AIRPORT LIMITED

We have now assessed the above application against safeguarding criteria and can confirm that we have no safeguarding objections to the proposed development.

However, we would like to make the following observations:

Cranes

Given the nature of the proposed development it is possible that a crane may be required during its construction. We would, therefore, draw the applicant's attention to the requirement within the British Standard Code of Practice for the safe use of Cranes, for crane operators to consult the aerodrome before erecting a crane in close proximity to an aerodrome. This is explained further in Advice Note 4, 'Cranes and Other Construction Issues' (available at http://www.aoa.org.uk/policysafeguarding.

(Officer note: An informative has been added)

Internal Consultees

TREES AND LANDSCAPE OFFICER

Landscape Planning designations: There are no Tree Preservation Orders and no Conservation Area designations affecting the site. The site lies within an Air Quality Monitoring Area.

Landscape constraints / opportunities: Bath Road is a strategic road and the gateway to Britain for many visitors. There is a need to retain and enhance the landscape setting of the building fronting onto Bath Road.

LANDSCAPE CONSIDERATIONS: Saved policy BE38 seeks the retention and utilisation of topographical and landscape features of merit and the provision of new planting and landscaping wherever it is appropriate.

The revised plan indicates the the surplus areas of car park which can be landscaped. The proposed random tree groups show no design intent and appear to offer little in the way of visual or general environmental enhancement - for example the opportunity to create attractive external space, or provide additional tree planting to improve the local air quality. The current landscaping along the site frontage is also scruffy and requires a make-over, or improved maintenance at least. These are matters of detail should be conditioned using COM9 parts 1,2,4,5 and 6 and COM10.

URBAN DESIGN AND CONSERVATION OFFICER

No objection provided the boundary tree planting is protected adjacent to the site of the new addition. The site lies within the proposed Heathrow APZ, GLAAS should be consulted even though the addition is fairly small.

(Officer note: An archaeological condition has been added in acordance with the advice provided by GLAAS).

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION UNIT

Noise:

Given that the plant has yet to be confirmed, the following condition should be attached:

The development shall not begin until a scheme which specifies the provisions to be made for the control of noise emanating from the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall include such combination of physical, administrative measures, noise limits and other measures as may be approved by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter, the scheme shall be implemented and maintained in full compliance with the approved measures.

REASON

To safeguard the amenity of the surrounding area in accordance with policy OE1 of the Hillingdon Unitary Development Plan.

Plus the standard construction informative.

(Officer note: Conditions and informative added).

Contamination

Submitted Report

Phase 1 Desk Study at 234 Bath Road by Soils Ltd dated April 2015 reference 14926/DS

I refer to your consultation on the above site. The above desk study provides sufficient detail to indicate where any potential contamination issues. The report highlights where contamination might be present and particularly notes the potential issues as airport, petrol station, motor repair works and substation. The site had an old motor repair works in the south west corner, there is a substation and car park there now. I am not sure on the petrol station use, this may refer to Axis House on Bolton's Lane where there was a garage. I wasn't aware of a petrol garage here recently, perhaps the offices had a pump. Axis House went for offices to flats fairly recently under a prior approval application (references under 43794/). There was a contamination report and some groundwater monitoring with this application, and it appears some hydrocarbons were found in the groundwater in the area. The source was not proved. It was probably due to the old garage uses and motor repair works in the vicinity although with the adjacent airport there may be other sources. The Soils Limited report recommends a site investigation and I think this is necessary post any approval as we have no investigation boreholes on this side of Bolton's Lane.

Although it is not residential I would advise adding our standard condition to ensure that some investigation is carried out. I am not anticipating problems but the ground is fairly unknown and in particular the motor works and adjacent garage may have affected the soils. The substation should be OK but they can leak PCB's if the station is very old.

We could use the condition below which includes testing the imported soils assuming they will improve the landscaping around the hotel. You could leave (i) (a) the desk study out as we have this. After the site investigation hopefully there will not be too much remediation necessary, the investigation should include some gas and vapour monitoring.

Contaminated Land Condition

- (i) The development hereby permitted shall not commence until a scheme to deal with contamination has been submitted in accordance with the Supplementary Planning Guidance Document on Land Contamination and approved by the Local Planning Authority (LPA). The scheme shall include all of the following measures unless the LPA dispenses with any such requirement specifically and in writing:
- (a) A desk-top study carried out by a competent person to characterise the site and provide information on the history of the site/surrounding area and to identify and evaluate all potential sources of contamination and impacts on land and water and all other identified receptors relevant to the site:
- (b) A site investigation, including where relevant soil, soil gas, surface and groundwater sampling, together with the results of analysis and risk assessment shall be carried out by a suitably qualified and accredited consultant/contractor. The report should also clearly identify all risks, limitations and recommendations for remedial measures to make the site suitable for the proposed use; and
- (c) A written method statement providing details of the remediation scheme and how the completion of the remedial works will be verified shall be agreed in writing with the LPA prior to commencement, along with details of a watching brief to address undiscovered contamination.
- (ii) If during development works contamination not addressed in the submitted remediation scheme is identified, the updated watching brief shall be submitted and an addendum to the remediation scheme shall be agreed with the LPA prior to implementation; and
- (iii) All works which form part of the remediation scheme shall be completed and a comprehensive verification report shall be submitted to the Council's Environmental Protection Unit before any part of the development is occupied or brought into use unless the LPA dispenses with any such requirement specifically and in writing.
- (iv) No contaminated soils or other materials shall be imported to the site. All imported soils for landscaping purposes shall be clean and free of contamination. Before any part of the development is occupied, all imported soils shall be independently tested for chemical contamination, and the results of this testing shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. All soils used for gardens and/or landscaping purposes shall be clean and free of contamination.

REASON: To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those to controlled waters, property and ecological systems and the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and other offsite receptors in accordance with policy OE11 of the Hillingdon Unitary Development Plan Saved Policies (September 2007).

(Officer note: Conditions and informative added).

FLOOD AND WATER MANAGEMENT

If additional landscaping is proposed then SuDs should be employed where possible to limit run off. Please add the following condition:

Prior to commencement, a scheme for the provision of sustainable water management shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall clearly demonstrate how it:

a) Manages Water The scheme shall follow the strategy set out in the Statement for Sustaibnable Urban Drainage scheme, produced by RDP Architects Limited dated April 2015 and demonstrate

ways of controlling the surface water on site by providing information on:

a) Suds features:

incorporating sustainable urban drainage in accordance with the hierarchy set out in Policy 5.15 of the London Plan. Where the proposal does not utilise the most sustainable solution, justification must be provided, calculations showing storm period and intensity and volume of storage required to control surface water and size of features to control that volume to Greenfield run off rates at a variety of return periods including 1 in 1 year, 1in 30, 1 in 100, and 1 in 100 plus Climate change, overland flooding should be mapped, both designed and exceedance routes above the 100, plus climate change, including flow paths depths and velocities identified as well as any hazards, (safe access and egress must be demonstrated).

b) Receptors

- i. Capacity demonstrated for Thames Water foul and surface water network, and provide confirmation of any upgrade work required having been implemented and receiving watercourse as appropriate.
- ii. Where infiltration techniques (soakway) or a basement are proposed a site investigation must be provided to establish the level of groundwater on the site, and to demonstrate the suitability of infiltration techniques proposed on the site. (This should be undertaken at the appropriate time of year as groundwater levels fluctuate).
- iii. Where groundwater is found within the site and a basement is proposed suitable mitigation methods must be provided to ensure the risk to others is not increased.
- iv. indentify vulnerable receptors, ie WFD status and prevent pollution of the receiving groundwater and/or surface waters through appropriate methods;
- d) Minimise water use. The scheme shall also demonstrate the use of methods to minimise the use of potable water through water collection, reuse and recycling and will: incorporate water saving measures and equipment. provide details of water collection facilities to capture excess rainwater;

provide details of how rain and grey water will be recycled and reused in the development.

e) Long Term Management and Maintenance of the drainage system.

Provide a management and maintenance plan for the lifetime of the development of arrangements to secure the operation of the scheme throughout its lifetime. Including appropriate details of Inspection regimes, appropriate performance specification, remediation and timescales for the resolving of issues. Where there is overland flooding proposed, the plan should include the appropriate actions to ensure the safety of the users of the site should that be required.

Where the maintenance will not be the responsibility of an individual householder, the details of the body legally responsible for the implementation of the management and maintenance plan must be provided.

f) During Construction

How temporary measures will be implemented to ensure no increase in flood risk from commencement of construction.

Thereafter the development shall be implemented and retained/maintained in accordance with these details for as long as the development remains in existence.

REASON

To ensure that surface water run off is controlled to ensure the development does not increase the risk of flooding contrary to Policy EM6 Flood Risk Management in Hillingdon Local Plan: Part 1-Strategic Policies (Nov 2012) Policy 5.12 Flood Risk Management of the London Plan (July 2011) and

National Planning Policy Framework (March 2012) and the Planning Practice Guidance (March 2014). To be handled as close to its source as possible in compliance with Policy 5.13 Sustainable Drainage of the London Plan (July 2011), and conserve water supplies in accordance with Policy 5.15 Water use and supplies of the London Plan (July 2011).

(Officer note: Condition added).

ACCESS OFFICER

Planning permission is sought to convert the existing building and to erect a new single-storey side extension for use as 159 bedroom hotel.

Accessibility principles and inclusive design concepts are said to have been employed from the stage of project inception. However, it appears that the text within the Design & Access Statement related to accessibility and inclusive design has largely been copied and pasted, and it is therefore not possible to ascertain from the document which principles are aspirational and which have been applied to the design.

Two accessible bedrooms are shown on the ground floor plan, with an additional seven rooms on both the first and second floors. Plans suggest that the rooms would be specified to BS 8300:2009.

Conclusion: No objection is raised on the submitted plans. However, the Design & Access Statement does not clearly state how accessibility and inclusive design principles have been applied, to include means of escape/stay put provisions for people with restricted mobility.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER

- a. The range of office and hotel sites used for the assessment of traffic generation and the corresponding assessment of car park accumulation would suggest that there is a very significant over provision of car parking for both the office use and the proposed hotel use. Under these circumstances, the transport assessment can not be considered to be based on data from comparable sites, unless the car parking provision is correspondingly reduced to reflect the level of accumulation indicated by the data from TRICs sites. As a guide, maximum provision should be approximately 1 car park space / 4 rooms.
- b. Given that the site has good public transport accessibility, a reduction in provision of car parking to meet operational needs would be consistent with promoting use of sustainable transport.

Revised plans:

- a. The vehicular swept path for the coach entering the site should not encroach onto the traffic lane used by vehicles exiting from the site. Vehicle swept paths for coaches turning within the site and exiting the site in forward gear should be provided. All swept paths should include 300mm error margins.
- b. It is noted that the car parking provision has now been significantly reduced and is acceptable.

Subject to the above, there are no highway objections.

(Officer note: The on site parking provision has been reduced, in accordance with advice from the Highway Engineer and TfL. Vehicle swept paths can be secured by condition).

SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER

The energy assessment submitted with the application is lacking aspiration and results in less than a 10% reduction in CO2 emissions. The change from offices to a hotel with place a far greater burden on the electricity supply and it would be expected that an energy assessment shows far greater reductions (nearer to the 35% reduction target set in the London Plan).

The following condition is therefore necessary:

Condition

Prior to the commencement of development a scheme showing the development can achieve a 35% reduction in CO2 emissions shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall set out

- 1: the existing emissions (regulated and unregulated) associated with the existing development, a similar size new build development built to 2013 building regulations, and the baseline expected emissions from the proposed development.
- 2: The measures (in accordance with the London Plan Policy 5.2 energy hierarchy) that will show a reduction in regulated energy of 35% from the existing development unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.
- 3: Details and specifications (i.e. technology specifications, roof plans etc...) of the chosen low or zero carbon technologies to be used to reach the target.

The development must proceed in accordance with the approved plans.

Reason

To ensure the development contributes to a reduction in CO2 in accordance with London Plan Policy 5.2.

7. MAIN PLANNING ISSUES

7.01 The principle of the development

Table 5.3 (Heathrow Opportunity Area) of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part 1 - Strategic Policies (Adopted November 2012) notes that there is particular pressure on employment land for hotel uses in the Heathrow area. Accommodating hotel growth must not be at the expense of employment land around Heathrow Airport and as such, hotel development will be directed to locations outside the airport boundary and outside of designated employment areas.

Policy E1 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part 1 - Strategic Policies (Adopted November 2012) safeguards Locally Significant Industrial Sites on the Heathrow perimeter. However, the application site does not fall within any of the designated locally significant industrial sites along Bath Road.

In addition, Policy T4 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) states hotels, guest houses and other tourist accommodation will be acceptable in principle provided:

- (i) The development is located within a mixed use area; and
- ii) The development is located near or on a primary or secondary road or rail or underground station; and
- (iii) The development does not result in the loss of amenity to neighbours through noise and other disturbances; and
- (iv) Parking to standards adopted by the local planning authority can be met within the

curtilage of the site.

(v) Any on street parking that may be generated can be accommodated without detriment to the free flow of traffic or conditions of general highway safety.

The development is considered to comply with the above mentioned criteria and in light of the site's location and the adequate car parking provision (refer to section 7.10 of the report) it is considered that the scheme is acceptable in principle when assessed against Local Plan part 2 Policy T4.

The property was formally occupied by Heathrow Airport Ltd, who vacated the building in May 2014.

The applicants advise that a marketing campaign was initiated to identify a purchaser in May 2014. Evidence has been provided in support of the application that the site has been unsuccessfully marketed for one year. The details provided of marketing show there has been very limited interest in retaining the existing office use on the site.

the applicant estimates that 60 employees will be required to run the hotel (40 permanent and 20 part time staff. The applicant also confirms that the scheme will provide apprenticeships and on-the-job training for young people interested in pursuing a career in the hospitality industry. This could be addressed and secured through a section 106 agreement.

The National Planning Policy Framework is clear that there should be a presumption in favour of sustainable economic development and that the key priority is the delivery of new jobs. The application proposals would deliver on these objectives, bringing a number of full time equivalent jobs on site (plus additional job creation in off site hotel servicing role) and secure the regeneration of a site that presently is unused, and does not presently positively contribute to the street scene.

Based on the combination of both the marketing evidence provided, the location of the site and compliance with relevant Local Plan Policies, it is not considered there is a robust reason to resist the change of use from Class B1 office to Class C1 hotel use. Accordingly, there is no objection to the principle of change of use in planning policy terms.

7.02 Density of the proposed development

No residential units are proposed as part of this application. As such, density is not relevant to the application.

7.03 Impact on archaeology/CAs/LBs or Areas of Special Character

The site is not located within a Conservation Area, Area of Special Local Character on or close to the site.

The site lies within the proposed Heathrow Archiological Priority Zone (APZ). The Greater London Archaeological Advisory Service(GLAAS) has be consulted even though the side extension is relatively small and very little external works are proposed which requires excavation.

GLASS advise that heritage assets of archaeological interest are expected to survive on the site. As such, it will be neessary to secure the provision of appropriate archaeological investigation, including the publication of results. A condition is therefore recomended to secure the implementation of a programme of archaeological investigation in accordance

with a Written Scheme of Investigation.

As such, it is considered that the archaeological position could be reserved by attaching the above mentioned condition to any consent granted under this application, in accordance with Policy Saved Policy BE3 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

7.04 Airport safeguarding

This is primarily a change of use application, and there are no airport safeguarding objections to the proposal. However, given the proximity to Heathrow Airport, it is important to ensure the site does not attract birds. Therefore a condition is recommended to ensure that the proposed landscaping is done in a way which would not create large pools of water involve berry bearing species (which may also attract birds). Subject to this condition, it is considered that the proposal would not impact on the safe operation of Heathrow airport.

7.05 Impact on the green belt

The site is not located within or is in close proximity to the Green Belt. there are therefore no Green Belt issues relating to this application.

7.07 Impact on the character & appearance of the area

Policies BE13 and BE19 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part 2 - Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) seek to ensure that new development makes a positive contribution to the character and amenity of the area in which it is proposed. Policy BE13 states that, in terms of the built environment, the design of new buildings should complement or improve the character and appearance of the surrounding area and should incorporate design elements which stimulate and sustain visual interest. Policy BE38 requires new development proposals to incorporate appropriate landscaping proposals.

This site is surrounded on three sides by the existing built form of similar heights to the existing office building, which will remain essentially as existing, apart from an extension to the side at single storey. The single storey extension has been deigned to match the existing architectural details and it is not considered that this structure will have a significance impact on the existing building, the site, or the area in general. The details of the materials would be controlled via a condition on any permission.

In addition, the scheme seeks to provide enhanced visual interest, with enhanced landscaping to the west and northern redundant car parking areas.

The Council's Urban Design and Conservation Officer raises no objection to the scheme which is considered to be of an appropriate massing and design in accordance with Policies BE13 and BE26 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part 2 - Saved UDP Policies (November 2012)

7.08 Impact on neighbours

Policies BE20, BE21 and BE24 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) seeks to ensure that new developments do not have a detrimental impact on the residential amenity of neighbouring occupiers through loss of light, dominance or loss of privacy.

It is not considered that there would be a material loss of amenity to neighbouring properties, as the proposed extension would be sited a over 100 metres away from the nearest residential properties in Boltons Lanee and Doghurst Avenue to the north and west of the site. The proposed extension is not considered to be over-dominant when viewed in conjunction with the existing building and the wider context of the site and surroundings, with

numerous large commercial buildings. As such, the extension is unlikely to impact on the visual amenities of neighbouring properties in terms of loss of light, over-dominance or loss of privacy.

Policy OE1 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) states permission will not be granted for uses which are likely to become detrimental to the character or amenities of surrounding properties. Given the nearby neighbouring residential properties, it is considered that suitable noise conditions should be included on any grant of permission to ensure the scheme will not give cause to noise annoyance to surrounding properties.

Overall, it is not considered that there would be a material loss of amenity to neighbouring properties, in compliance with with policies BE20, BE21 and BE24 and OE1 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

7.09 Living conditions for future occupiers

The proposal is for a hotel and there will be no future residential occupiers. There are no policies or standards that relate to hotel accommodation.

7.10 Traffic impact, Car/cycle parking, pedestrian safety

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) at Paragraph 32 states that plans and decisions should take account of whether safe and suitable access to the site can be achieved for all people; and development should only be prevented or refused on transport grounds where the residual cumulative impacts of development are severe.

Paragraph 35 of NPPF also refers to developments and states that developments should be located and designed where practical to give priority to pedestrian and cycle movements; create safe and secure layouts which minimise conflicts between traffic and cyclists or pedestrians.

Local requirements in relation to impacts on traffic demand, safety and congestion are set out in Local Plan Part 2 policy AM7 which states:

The LPA will not grant permission for developments whose traffic generation is likely to:

- (i) unacceptably increase demand along roads or through junctions which are already used to capacity, especially where such roads or junctions form part of the strategic London road network, or
- (ii) prejudice the free flow of traffic or conditions of general highway or pedestrian safety

TfL is the highway authority for A4 Bath Road, while LB Hillingdon is responsible for the rest of the road network in this area. TfL buses operate on Bath Road.

A Transport Assessment has been submitted in support of this application, which considers the impact of the proposed development of the site on the local highway and concludes that sufficient capacity exists to support the proposals. The accompanying Draft Travel Plan identifies the various measures proposed as part of the application to encourage sustainable patterns of movement.

The site has a PTAL of 3, with bus stops just outside the site. There are currently 133 car parking spaces on site for the permitted office use. The 159 bed hotel proposal will reduce these to 40 spaces (including 4 disabled parking bays). This level of on site car parking provision, a ratio of 1:4 guest rooms is similar to that of other hotel developments approved by the Council located nearby and serving Heathrow Airport. In addition, 3 coach parking

bays are also proposed.

Thee parking provision is consistent with the Council's adopted maximum parking standards, therefore the scheme is considered to comply with Policies AM14 and AM15 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

30 covered cycle parking spaces, 3 taxi stands and 7 motor bike stands are to be provided and are considered adequate.

Given the reduction in on site car parking, it is considered that the transport impacts of the current proposal would be lower compared to the existing authorised use. The Council's Highway Officer has been consulted on the application and raises no objection to the scheme, subject to details of manouvering for coaches into and out of the site, a S106 requirement that a 'hopper bus' service be used and a travel plan provided.

7.11 Urban design, access and security

It is considered that there are no urban design or security issues arising from the proposal. Access is considered in other sections of the report.

7.12 Disabled access

Policies R16 and AM13 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) seek to ensure that developments of this type incorporate inclusive design, as do Policies 7.1 and 7.2 of the London Plan. Further detailed guidance is provided within the Accessible Hillingdon SPD.

Two accessible bedrooms are shown on the ground floor plan, with an additional seven rooms on both the first and second floors. Plans suggest that the rooms would be specified to BS 8300:2009.

The hotel would be consistent with the London Plan and HDAS Accessibility policy standards including meeting the minimum provision of accessible bedrooms as a percentage of the total number of bedrooms. Other features include disabled toilets on the ground, lifts from ground floor level to the rest of the hotel, and fire refuges on each upper floor.

Subject to a appropriate conditions, it is considered that the proposal would provide an inclusive environment for future users in accordance with Policies R16 and AM13 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) and Policies 7.1 and 7.2 of the London Plan (2015).

7.13 Provision of affordable & special needs housing

No residential units are proposed as part of this application. As such, this is not relevant to the application.

7.14 Trees, landscaping and Ecology

TREES/LANDSCAPE

Policy BE38 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) seeks the retention and utilisation of topographical and landscape features of merit and the provision of new planting and landscaping wherever it is appropriate.

No trees or other landscape features of merit will be affected by the proposal, as most of the development proposal affects the change of use and fit out within the existing building, with the exception of the new single-storey extension on the eastern facade.

All of the trees and other soft landscape areas will be retained and protected during the development process. With regard to the site layout, the scheme provides an improvement over the existing expanse of hard standing. A revised site plan indicates the surplus areas of car park which will be landscaped on the northern and western parts of the site, which provides significant potential for valuable landscape enhancement at the site. However, the Tree and Landscape Officer notes that there is insufficient detail to ensure that the increased landscaped areas would maximise the opportunity to create attractive external space, or provide additional tree planting to improve the local air quality. The Tree and Landscape Officer also notes that the current landscaping along the site frontage requires enhancement and/or improved maintenance.

A landscape condition is therefore recommended requiring the submission and approval of a more detailed landscape plan. Subject to appropriate landcape conditions, the scheme is considered to provide a satisfactory landscape arrangement that complies with Policy BE38 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

ECOLOGY:

Saved Policy EC2 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) seeks the promotion of nature conservation interests. Saved Policy EC5 seeks the retention of features, enhancements and creation of new habitats. London Plan Policy 7.19[c] seeks ecological enhancement. Although the trees in and surrounding the site may be valuable for biodiversity, the application site itself is not considered to have a high ecological value.

The previous use and extent of hard standing and built form on the site reduces the likely harm on protected species, as the existing environment is unlikely to provide suitable shelter or habitat for hibernating animals. However, the retention of the majority of the trees, the additional tree planting and soft landscaping will contribute towards the promotion of nature conservation interests in the area. It is considered that the proposed development could be completed without detriment to the ecological value and biodiversity interests of this area, in compliance with the above mentioned policies.

7.15 Sustainable waste management

London Plan policies 5.16 and 5.17 requires adequate provision of refuse and recycling facilities for new development and for their location to be appropriate in terms of enabling ease of collection from the site. The bin area is integral to the building with access for staff and access from for the refuse collectors. The level of waste and recycling store provision, and its location and means of collection by refuse vehicles is considered to comply with the Council's requirements. However, it is recommended that a condition be imposed to ensure the collection of waste is carried out at times to avoid impacts on the neighbouring area. Subject to such a condition, the scheme is considered satisfactory and complies with the standards set out in London Plan Policies 5.16 and 5.17.

Notwithstanding the above it should be noted the hotel ultimately has considerable discretion over which waste management methods are used on site.

7.16 Renewable energy / Sustainability

Sustainability policy is now set out in the London Plan (2015), at Policy 5.2. This policy requires major applications to include a detailed energy assessment. The 2015 London Plan requires major developments to demonstrate a 35% reduction from a 2013 Building Regulations compliant development.

The application has been supported by an Energy Statement that is considered satisfactory to determine the application favourably, albeit with more information required to be provided by the applicant. This extra information can be handled by planning condition.

Subject to conditions to secure the installation of measures in accordance with the London Plan requirements, the scheme complies with London Plan Policies 5.2, 5.3, 5.4 and 5.7.

7.17 Flooding or Drainage Issues

The site does not fall within a flood zone and no issues relating to flooding have been identified.

London Plan Policies 5.12 and 5.13 require that development proposals should use sustainable urban drainage systems (SUDS) unless there are good reasons for not doingso. Policy EM6 Flood Risk Management in Hillingdon Local Plan: Part 1- Strategic Policies (November 2012) requires that surface water run off is controlled to ensure the development does not increase the risk of flooding.

The scheme would need to investigate rainwater harvesting, including the provision of a ground storage tank, and permeable paving to replace the existing large expanse of non permeable hard standing.

Subject to conditions, the proposal is considered to comply with the intentions of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part One and Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) in respect to water management and London Plan Policies 5.12 and 5.13.

The Council's Floodwater Management Officer raises no objection to the scheme, subject to the application of the relevant SUDS and sustainable water management planning condition

7.18 Noise or Air Quality Issues

The Council's Environmental Protection Unit has been consulted on the application and raises no objection on noise or air quality subject to appropriate conditions and planning obligations in respect of air quality monitoring.

7.19 Comments on Public Consultations

The objections raised during the public consultation are addressed in the report above.

7.20 Planning obligations

Should the application be approved, a range of planning obligations would be sought to mitigate the impact of the development, in line with saved policy R17 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012). The obligations sought are as follows:

- 1. Highways: to secure all necessary works including a pedestrian access onto Bath Road
- 2. The provision of a Travel Plan, (including a bond), which shall incorporate Sustainable Transport Measures such as:
- . a hopper bus service
- . a Construction Management Plan,
- . a Construction Logistics Plan and
- . a Service and Delivery Plan.
- 3. Construction Training: either a financial contribution, or an in-kind scheme delivered during the construction phase of the development, should be secured (in either event the 'obligation' should be delivered equal to the formula of £2,500 for every £1 million buildcost)
- 4. Hospitality Training contributions or in kind scheme to provide apprenticeships and onthe-job training for young people interested in pursuing a career in the hospitality industry

- 5. Air Quality: in line with the SPD and given the site is located in an air quality management area then a contribution in the sum of £25,000.
- 6. Project Management and Monitoring Fee: a financial contribution equal to 5% of the total cash contributions towards the management and monitoring of the resulting agreement.

The Council's Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) charge would be applicable on the new floorspace created at a rate of £40 per square metre.

In addition to the Council's S106 contributions and CIL requirements, the Mayor of London's CIL has introduced a charging system within Hillingdon of £35 per square metre of gross internal floor area to be paid to the GLA to go towards the funding of Crossrail.

This application is liable for the Mayor's CIL with respect to new floorspace being created.

7.21 Expediency of enforcement action

No enforcement action is required in this instance.

7.22 Other Issues

CONTAMINATION

A Geo Environmental Desk Top Study has been submitted in support of the application. The report highlights where contamination might be present. The site had an old motor repair works in the south west corner, and there is currently an electricity substation and extensive car parking thereat present.

Although the proposed use is not residential the Council's Environmental Protection Unit (EPU)advise adding a condition to ensure that some site investigation is carried out. EPU point out that the ground is fairly unknown and in particular the motor works and adjacent garage may have affected the soils. The electricity substation could potentially leak Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) if the station is very old. (PCBs are a group of man-made compounds that were widely used in the past, mainly in electrical equipment, but which were banned at the end of the 1970's in many countries because of environmental concerns).

In addition, the site may require imported top soil for landscaping purposes and a condition is recommended to ensure the imported soils are independently tested, to ensure they are suitable for use.

Subject to compliance with this condition, it is considered that the proposed development accords with the ground condition and contamination policies set out in the NPPF, London Plan and the Hillingdon Local Plan Parts 1 and 2.

8. Observations of the Borough Solicitor

General

Members must determine planning applications having due regard to the provisions of the development plan so far as material to the application, any local finance considerations so far as material to the application, and to any other material considerations (including regional and national policy and guidance). Members must also determine applications in accordance with all relevant primary and secondary legislation.

Material considerations are those which are relevant to regulating the development and use of land in the public interest. The considerations must fairly and reasonably relate to the

application concerned.

Members should also ensure that their involvement in the determination of planning applications adheres to the Members Code of Conduct as adopted by Full Council and also the guidance contained in Probity in Planning, 2009.

Planning Conditions

Members may decide to grant planning consent subject to conditions. Planning consent should not be refused where planning conditions can overcome a reason for refusal. Planning conditions should only be imposed where Members are satisfied that imposing the conditions are necessary, relevant to planning, relevant to the development to be permitted, enforceable, precise and reasonable in all other respects. Where conditions are imposed, the Council is required to provide full reasons for imposing those conditions.

Planning Obligations

Members must be satisfied that any planning obligations to be secured by way of an agreement or undertaking pursuant to Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 are necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms. The obligations must be directly related to the development and fairly and reasonably related to the scale and kind to the development (Regulation 122 of Community Infrastructure Levy 2010).

Equalities and Human Rights

Section 149 of the Equalities Act 2010, requires the Council, in considering planning applications to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunities and foster good relations between people who have different protected characteristics. The protected characteristics are age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

The requirement to have due regard to the above goals means that members should consider whether persons with particular protected characteristics would be affected by a proposal when compared to persons who do not share that protected characteristic. Where equalities issues arise, members should weigh up the equalities impact of the proposals against the other material considerations relating to the planning application. Equalities impacts are not necessarily decisive, but the objective of advancing equalities must be taken into account in weighing up the merits of an application. The weight to be given to any equalities issues is a matter for the decision maker to determine in all of the circumstances.

Members should also consider whether a planning decision would affect human rights, in particular the right to a fair hearing, the right to respect for private and family life, the protection of property and the prohibition of discrimination. Any decision must be proportionate and achieve a fair balance between private interests and the public interest.

9. Observations of the Director of Finance

Not applicable.

10. CONCLUSION

There is no objection to the principle of the development involving the change of use of the site to a hotel.

The general size, height and massing of the proposed single storey extension is considered acceptable. It is not considered that the development would have any detrimental impact on

the street scene, or upon residential amenity.

Consideration has been given to the principal issue of traffic generation, vehicles servicing the hotel, and guest collection and drop off. These matters taken together are not considered to have any significant detrimental impact on the existing highway network or highway safety, given the reduced on site cars parking provision, limiting the use of the car park to staff and guests, and the small number of vehicular movements anticipated as a 159 bedroom hotel serving Heathrow Airport, where most guests are anicipated to arrive by public transport or taxi.

The National Planning Policy Framework is clear that there should be a presumption in favour of sustainable economic development and that the key priority is the delivery of new jobs. The application proposals would deliver on these objectives, bringing a number of full time equivalent jobs on site (plus additional job creation in off site hotel servicing role) and secure the regeneration of a site that presently is unused and does not presently positively contribute to the street scene, with little prospect of the existing building being brought back to active life.

The scheme is considered to be visually acceptable and is considered to comply with relevant London Plan and Hillingdon Local Plan policies. Accordingly, approval is recommended subject to appropriate conditions and planning obligations.

11. Reference Documents

Hillingdon Local Plan: Part 1 - Strategic Policies (November 2012) Hillingdon Local Plan: Part 2 - Saved UDP Policies (November 2012)

London Plan (2015)

National Planning Policy Framework

Hillingdon Supplementary Planning Document - Accessible Hillingdon

Hillingdon Supplementary Planning Document - Noise

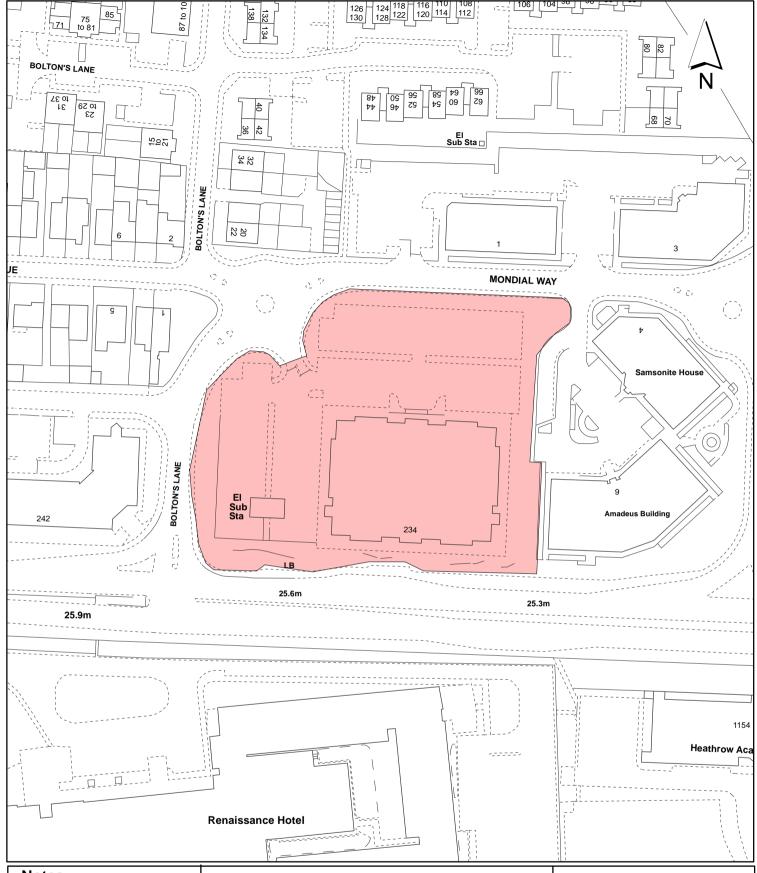
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Hillingdon Supplementary Planning Guidance - Air Quality

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Hillingdon Supplementary Planning Guidance - Land Contamination

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