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Jennifer Atkinson
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Dear Jennifer

Re: Application No. 126431/FO/2020 - Proposed Arena

I am writing as Director of Philip J. Davies (Holdings) PLC to support plans for a second arena in Manchester as per the above proposal. Philip J. Davies (Holdings) PLC has a portfolio of commercial properties in Manchester including in Ancoats, close to the proposed arena.

I support the proposal because it fits Manchester's long-term regeneration plans for Eastlands via sport and leisure development. Furthermore, £350m of investment in the area will build confidence and likely attract further investment, encouraging more development along the corridor back from Eastlands towards the City Centre via places like New Sllongton and Ancoats. This will benefit firms like mine.

A project of this size and scale will also have a hugely beneficial impact on the construction sector at a time when it is needed most. It is estimated the project will create 3000+ jobs and support thousands more across the construction supply chain.

Your sincerely

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Mark Davies
Director

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