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Date: Tue, 2 Jun 2020 at 15:55
Subject: FW: Draft Letter of Support
To: planning@manchester.gov.uk planning@manchester.gov.uk>

Dear Jennifer,

Re: App. No. 126431/FO/2020 - Erection of multi-use arena

I am writing as the Property Manager of LSH Property UK Limited to provide our support for the above proposal. We have property interests across the Manchester area and one of our sites (Mercedes-Benz of Manchester Central) is adjacent to the Etihad and close to the proposed development site. Our sister company LSH Auto UK operates the successful and well established trading business here which is part of a wider group that operates in over 143 Mercedes-Benz dealerships in markets across the globe.

I am very aware of the Council's long-term plans for the area due to our proximity to our site and have seen first-hand how investment in leisure and recreation can create opportunities and transform an area for the better.

3000+ jobs and 100 apprenticeships during construction, alongside 1000 jobs when open is hugely significant for the area and will make a lasting difference. We will be very proud to have a business adjacent to such an exciting development.

I have had conversations with representatives of the applicants who shared further information about the operating schedule and about public realm improvements around the site. I am confident that the new arena will build on the success of the Etihad Campus to date and contribute to the positive transformation of East Manchester.

Yours Sincerely,

Paul

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