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Dear Tim,

Re: Extension to outdoor seating at Thaikhun Restaurant, Units G17 & G18 Hardman Street

I have now had the opportunity to review the plans and visit the premises. I have no objection as such to the proposal and my reasons are set out as follows:

- The wide pavement and relatively low pedestrian flows along the Avenue means there is ample space to accommodate the additional seating area without creating potential conflicts with pedestrians.
- The seating area will have a meet and greet desk and, in addition, can be readily observed by staff (and customers) from inside the premises.
- Spinningfields public spaces benefit from a continual security presence (security patrols and CCTV).
- The presence of outdoor seating can enliven a street and attract further custom, which adds to the surveillance over the public realm and positively influences the behaviour of people passing.

That said, the seating must be suitable in terms of safety and security, as well as attractive and comfortable. So, in order to support the proposal I would like the following points to be addressed:

- The proposed design of seating and means of enclosing the seating, however unusual, are acceptable, although there does appear to be a gap in the enclosure immediately in front of door GD01A. I would like that gap to be closed off so that there is only a single point of entry/exit to the outdoor seating.
- Arrangements should be put in place for clearing or securing the more portable elements of the furniture so that it is not abused when the premises are closed.
- A secure cloakroom should be available for customers to leave jackets and coats, and '*Chelsea clips'*, or similar karabiner style hooks, should be provided at each table so that bags can be stored with a greater degree of security.

Yours faithfully

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