From: Matt Fisher
Sent: 26 June 2024 10:30
To: Lam, Matthew
Cc: Alcock, Niall; Brabrook, Jemma
Subject: [EXT] RE: Plots 5&6 Circle Square Masterplan, Manchester - Upcoming Planning Application

Hi Matt

We have reviewed the proposals and the existing planning permission for the residents lounge at Level 35 of Plots 5&6, Circle Square and can confirm that, as the proposals do not include external loudspeakers and there will be no changes to the operation of the existing internal loudspeakers, there will therefore be no change to the existing operation regarding music noise. It is therefore considered that no technical note relating to acoustics to support the planning application is necessary.

I hope the above is helpful.

Regards

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Subject: RE:Plots 5&6 Circle Square Masterplan, Manchester - Upcoming Planning Application

Morning Matt,

I hope this email finds you well.

Following the below, we have received agreement from the Council on the approach below. On this basis, we would be grateful if you could provide an email confirmation stating that from an acoustician point of view, after reviewing the proposals and the existing planning permission, no technical note is required and the rationale behind.

Many thanks in advance for your support, and could you let us know on timescale please.

Kind regards,
Matt

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From: Lam, Matthew
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2024 10:16 AM
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Subject: RE: Plots 5&6 Circle Square Masterplan, Manchester - Upcoming Planning Application

Hi Matt,

Thank you for your email.

To note, we previously agreed with the Council that an Acoustics Technical Note would form part of the application submission pack, however, based on your input below we are now seeking agreement with the Council and hopefully negate the requirement of an Acoustics Technical Note for this Application.

Subject to their agreement, we would be grateful if you could provide an email confirmation that from an acoustician point of view, after reviewing the proposals and the existing planning permission, no technical note is required as no change to the existing operation regarding music noise.

Just to note the case officer is on leave and back on next Wednesday 26th June, we will chase up their response and revert back to you at the earliest opportunity.

Again, thank you very much for your support so far.

Kind regards,
Matt

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Sent: Monday, June 17, 2024 5:24 PM
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Cc: Alcock, Niall [redacted] Brabrook, Jemma [redacted]
Subject: [EXT] RE: Plots 5&6 Circle Square Masterplan, Manchester - Upcoming Planning Application

Hi Matt

As there are no changes proposed to the operation in relation to music replay, do you actually need a technical note re acoustics? Would confirmation from Deloitte to MCC that there will be no change to the existing operation re music noise be sufficient?

Regards

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Sent: 17 June 2024 16:00
To: Matt Fisher <[redacted]
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Subject: RE:Plots 5&6 Circle Square Masterplan, Manchester - Upcoming Planning Application

Hi Matt,

Thank you for your patience.

We received confirmation from the Client confirming that no music through loudspeaker is proposed for the external terrace area, music will only be played in the internal area. We apologise for the confusion caused.

And to confirm the current resident's lounge is fitted with loudspeakers for background music, and there will be no changes to current set up.

Hope this is clear, we would be grateful if you could advise on scope and quote for the Technical Note, and potential timescale. Many thanks in advance!

Kind regards,
Matt

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Subject: [EXT] RE: Plots 5&6 Circle Square Masterplan, Manchester - Upcoming Planning Application

Hi Matt

The operational statement states that 'no amplified music will be played outside' and 'Amplified sound levels within the venue will be controlled by a member of staff on a tablet in the lounge area. Live music and entertainment will be kept at background music level so there is no risk of sound egress'.

Is it now the case that the client wishes to assess the ability to have external loudspeakers, rather than just internal.

Is the current resident's lounge fitted with loudspeakers for background music?

Regards

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Subject: Plots 5&6 Circle Square Masterplan, Manchester - Upcoming Planning Application

Hi Matt,

I hope this email finds you well.

I am writing in regards to Plots 5&6 Circle Square Masterplan, Manchester ("Vita Living North"). It was originally approved by Planning Permission ref: 111026/FO/2016/C1 in July 2016 and subsequently approved for a revised scheme (Planning Permission ref: 116450/FO/2017) in September 2017.

A planning application is now being progressed for the rooftop terrace (35/F) of Vita Living North for the change of use of the existing residents' amenity space into a rooftop bar for the exclusive use of residents and their guests (the space will not be opened to members of the public).

Please find the following information attached for your reference:

1. Approved GA plan of 35/F as exist (from Planning Permission ref: 116450/FO/2017). The space is currently shown as “private residents amenity” together with the outdoor terrace wrapping around the space.
2. Draft Operational Statement, *Section 4.5 Noise Management* would be of relevance.

For completeness, Condition 28 attached to the Planning Permission (Ref: 116450/FO/2017) states (decision notice attached):
“*No amplified sound or any music shall be produced or played in any part of the site outside of the building other than in accordance with a scheme detailing the levels at which any music shall be played and the hours during which it shall be played which has been submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as local planning authority.*”

Considering the above context, we would be grateful if you could prepare a Technical Note in support of the application, and subject to your professional opinion, sets out:

- Conclusions of previous report remain valid; and,
- No significant impact as a result of the new use.

To address Condition 28 aforementioned relevant to the external terrace area and in support of the application, it would also be helpful to include within the Technical Note a scheme detailing the level of music to be played (the Operational Statement confirms it will be background level), and the hours during which music will be played (confirmed with MCC that the external terrace will be opened Monday to Sunday, 12nn to 11pm).

I hope the above is clear, and please let us know if any queries.

Kind regards,
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