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Dear Robert,

WORTHINGTON HOUSE, TOWERS BUSINESS PARK, DIDSBURY, M20 2RY

DISCHARGE OF CONDITION APPLICATION (REF. 138822/FO/2023)

Please find enclosed an application for approval of details reserved by condition, made by CBRE Limited, on behalf of KW Towers Limited, in relation to planning permission reference 138822/FO/2023.

The relevant background is provided below alongside details on the application submission.

BACKGROUND & PROPOSALS

Planning permission reference 138822/FO/2023 was approved on 30th January 2024. The approved description of development for the application is as follows:

Installation of Air Source Heat Pump within associated compound following relocation of existing cycle parking stands.

This Discharge of Condition application relates to Condition 3 of planning permission reference 138822/FO/2023. The wording of the Condition is as follows:

▪ **Condition 3**

3) a) Externally mounted ancillary plant, equipment and servicing shall be selected and/or acoustically treated in accordance with a scheme designed so as to achieve a rating level of 5dB (LAeq) below the typical background (LA90) level at the nearest noise sensitive location. Prior to installation of the equipment the scheme shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as local planning authority in order to secure a reduction in the level of noise emanating from the site. The scheme shall be implemented in full before the use commences or as otherwise agreed in writing by the City Council as local planning authority.

3) b) Within three months of the operation of the scheme a verification report shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as local planning authority to validate that the work undertaken throughout the development conforms to the recommendations and requirements in the approved acoustic report. The report shall also undertake post completion testing to confirm that the noise criteria have been met. Any instances of non-conformity with the recommendations in the report shall be detailed along with any measures required to ensure compliance with the agreed noise criteria.

Reason - To minimise the impact of the development and to prevent a general increase in pre-existing background noise levels around the site pursuant to policy DM1 of the Core Strategy and saved UDP policy DC26.

This application seeks to partially discharge Condition 3 and provides details regarding part a.

Part a of Condition 3 was discharged on 10th April 2024 under application reference CDN/24/0101. As part of the particulars of this decision, discharge of Condition 3 (part a) is subject to the plant and equipment being operational between 07.00-18.00 Monday-Friday only.

A technical note submitted with application reference CDN/24/0101 confirmed that the Air Source Heat Pump (ASHP) will have no adverse impact on nearby residential receptors or office spaces when operational during daytime hours.

Whilst undertaking post-completion testing in order to discharge part b of Condition 3, it was found that the noise levels of the ASHP, when operating at full capacity, were approximately 4 dB below what was originally assessed in the noise surveys undertaken to originally discharge part a of Condition 3.

Subsequently, additional noise surveys were undertaken during the night-time period, which confirms that the night-time rating level of the ASHP, when operating at 100% capacity, is more than 5dB lower than the typical background sound level as required by part a of Condition 3. As such, the ASHP will also have no adverse impact on nearby residential receptors or office spaces when operational during night-time hours in accordance with Policy DM1 of the Core Strategy and saved Policy DC26 of the UDP.

Therefore, this Discharge of Condition application seeks to re-discharge Part a of Condition 3 to remove the restricted hours of operation of the ASHP.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

This application seeks to re-discharge part a of Condition 3. This submission comprises the following:

- This cover letter;
- Completed application form; and
- Technical Note (ref. 51-119-R3-1).

A separate application to discharge the remainder of Condition 3 (part b) will be submitted in due course.

I trust that the information submitted with this application is appropriate and that the application can be registered and validated. However, if there are any immediate queries please do not hesitate to contact me using the details provided.

Yours sincerely,

Brooke Evans

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