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Dear Jerry

**BURY OLD ROAD, MANCHESTER
NOISE SURVEY & PLANT NOISE ASSESSMENT**

Further to your email dated 25 October 2023 regarding the above project it is understood that the following comments have been received from Bury Metropolitan Borough Council.

"Plant Deck – Putting plant at the rear of the building at a raised level was resisted during the previous application due to the harm the noise of the Air Conditioning units would cause to the amenity of neighbouring occupiers. The Council has not changed its position on this, particularly as the submitted Noise Assessment, cannot be relied on as all monitoring was taken at a height lower than the proposed rear plant deck and also fails to take account of noise and disturbance that would be caused to neighbours when the rear fire escapes are opened for ventilation purposes and for access outside. The plant deck should therefore be removed from the proposals."

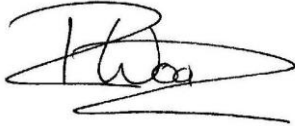
Our Plant Sound Assessment Report 1069/PSA1 dated 4 April 2023 assesses atmospheric plant sound emission levels from the 2No. condenser units to the nearest noise sensitive receptors. The assessment indicates that atmospheric plant sound emissions from the proposed 2No. condenser units are likely to have a low impact at the nearest noise sensitive receptors and achieve the requirements of the Local Authority.

The height of the monitoring position for the 24 hour environmental sound survey in relation to the height of the proposed plant deck is irrelevant since it is used to obtain the existing representative background sound levels at the nearest noise sensitive receptors.

It is understood that the rear fire escapes will not be opened for ventilation purposes and that they will remain closed. Furthermore, it is not clear what source of internal noise the council are concerned with breaking out via the rear fire escapes.

We trust the above to be clear and of assistance.

Yours sincerely
for LIGHTHOUSE ACOUSTICS

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