

**Elton Fold Workmens Club & Institute Ltd**

**Statement – JP-C2 Digital Connectivity Compliance**

*The below statement describes hoe the proposal falls outside the scope and intent of Policy JP-C2*

The proposed development comprises approximately 90m<sup>2</sup> of external timber decking, covered by a lightweight roof structure incorporating glazed rooflights, with open sides and no enclosed walls. The structure is ancillary to the existing building and is not intended for habitable use.

The decking area is entirely open to the elements on all sides and does not constitute internal floorspace or a “building” in the conventional sense as defined within digital connectivity policies. No mechanical or electrical services are proposed as part of the development, and there is no provision for fixed data infrastructure, telecommunications equipment, or active digital systems within the structure.

Policy JP-C2 (Digital Connectivity) is primarily concerned with ensuring that new buildings, particularly residential and commercial developments, are designed to facilitate high-quality digital infrastructure, including broadband and mobile connectivity. As the proposed structure:

- does not create new enclosed or habitable floorspace,
- does not involve new dwellings or commercial units,
- does not include service installations requiring digital connectivity,
- and remains physically open and ancillary in nature,

it does not generate a requirement for digital connectivity infrastructure.

Accordingly, the proposal falls outside the scope and intent of Policy JP-C2, and compliance with this policy is not applicable or necessary in this instance.