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# London Borough of Richmond: Application for Planning and Listed Building Consent for the Refurbishment of the Stable Block Café, Landscaping Works, and Refurbishment to Marble Hill House and Park: Additional Information

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- 8 Drawing to show the position of an additional condenser required at the stable block by vHH Architects
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# Reasons for the updates

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### Response to Sport England's comments

Sport England advise that the although the changing room proposals are a significant improvement on the existing, they do not meet current best practice guidance regarding safeguarding. Following discussions with Sport England English Heritage submit revised drawings without the currently proposed layout (except for the publicly-accessible toilets) – these internal works do not require planning permission in any case. English Heritage will set up a design workshop with Sport England and other users to design an internal layout with their input. EH will be liaising directly with Sport England to discuss opportunities and constraints regarding the other points raised in their comments, which would be delivered outside of the scope of this planning application.

### Drawing to show the position of an additional condenser required at the stable block

A condenser unit is required for the cold store proposed to be contained within the Scout Hut, above the cold store – in error this was not marked on the originally submitted plans, however it was taken into consideration in the submitted acoustic report. The condensers have now been shown on the plan ref. 553-L-2002 Rev C.

## Parking Response Note by Vectos

In response to a response by a member of the public additional analysis has been carried out on the parking accumulation figures based on an amended profile of house visitors to better align with the proposed opening hours. The revised figures demonstrate that the existing on-site car park has sufficient capacity to accommodate forecast demand.

### **Additional Quadrant Management Method Statement**

EH commit to the following method statement on the management of the quadrants:

Landscaping work will be carried outside the bird breeding season in the autumn winter. Each year prior to any work being undertaken badger and bat surveys will be undertaken, plans and working practices revised and mitigation undertaken as advised by our ecological consultants. Care will be taken to ensure that the 286 retained trees and 45 to be coppiced and selected for growing on in improved conditions are protected both from physical damage to trunks and root systems. In the NW quadrant we will be planting an open grove of lime trees using large stock (25-30 / 35-40cm girth). Due to the size of the stock these will need equipment such as excavators to dig the planting hole, move the trees into position and assist replacing soil. Access for the machinery can be directly from the east-west tarmac track, south of this quarter, in order to avoid damage to soil structure and tree roots from heavy machinery tracking will be used to spread the weight of the machine. All other new tree planting in the present defined woodland quarters will be standard trees (girth 8-10cm) planted by hand by our on-site garden team of garden apprentice and volunteers overseen by a new head gardener post. In order to aid establishment and water retention organic matter will be introduced into the top soil by hand forking and boards will be used to reduce compaction from wheel barrow wheels. Areas of significant root tree roots will not be forked over but mulched.

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We trust that the enclosed information addresses the issues raised, however if you require any additional information or have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me or my colleague Maddie Lane.

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