Fire Safety Strategy (FSS) for the Installation of a Side Window

Introduction: This Fire Safety Strategy (FSS) is submitted in support of a planning application for the installation of a side window at the above address. The property is located within the Ham area, which is recognized for its historical and architectural significance and is part of a conservation area.

Scope of Works: The proposed works involve the installation of a new side window on the [specific location on the building]. The window will be designed to match the existing windows in terms of style, materials, and proportions to ensure it is in keeping with the character of the building and the surrounding area.

Compliance with London Plan Policy D12 Part A: The Fire Safety Strategy addresses the criteria set out in London Plan Policy D12 Part A, ensuring that the proposed development meets all necessary fire safety standards.

1. Means of Escape and Evacuation:

- The new window will not obstruct any existing means of escape or evacuation routes.
- o The window will be designed to provide an additional means of ventilation, which can aid in smoke dispersal during a fire.

2. Fire Spread and Control:

- The materials used for the window installation will be fire-resistant and comply with relevant building regulations.
- The window will be installed in a manner that prevents the spread of fire between compartments.

3. Access for Firefighting and Rescue:

- The installation of the window will not impede access for firefighting and rescue operations.
- The property will maintain clear access routes for emergency services.

4. Fire Safety Management:

- A fire safety management plan will be implemented to ensure regular maintenance and inspection of the new window and other fire safety measures.
- Staff will be trained on fire safety procedures and the use of fire safety equipment.

Drawings and Documentation: The submitted drawings address the requirements set out in paragraphs 3.12.3 and 3.12.4 of the London Plan. These drawings include detailed plans of the proposed window installation, highlighting compliance with fire safety standards.

Conclusion: The proposed window installation is designed to enhance the functionality of the property while ensuring compliance with all relevant fire safety regulations. The Fire Safety Strategy demonstrates that the development will not compromise the safety of the building or its occupants and will respect the historical and architectural significance of the Ham Conservation Area.