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Planning Officer
City of Edinburgh Council

Your ref: 19/01970/FUL
Our ref: NA-EDB-048
3 March 2020

Dear [REDACTED]

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS)
(SCOTLAND) DIRECTION 2009
ERECTION OF PURPOSE BUILT STUDENT ACCOMMODATION, ANCILLARY USES
AND ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPING AND INFRASTRUCTURE AT 24 WESTFIELD ROAD,
EDINBURGH**

I refer to your Council's e-mail of 24 October 2019 with which a copy of the planning application relating to the above development was notified to Scottish Ministers in accordance with the above mentioned Direction.

Representations made by a neighbouring business raised a number of concerns in respect of the proposed development, in particular in relation to construction works and impacts on existing solar panels. However, Scottish Ministers are satisfied that the proposal does not warrant a decision to be taken by central government and that the issues raised in respect of these matters can, and should, be dealt with by the City of Edinburgh Council as planning authority. It is not, therefore, Scottish Ministers' intention to intervene in this application by either issuing a direction restricting the granting of planning permission or by calling in the application for their own determination.

A copy of Planning and Architecture Division's assessment report into this application will shortly be available on our website at <https://beta.gov.scot/publications/planning-decisions-index/>

Yours sincerely

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