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Reading Borough Council
PLANNING SECTION
Civic Offices
Bridge Street
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: St Georges Church, Tilehurst

I have been asked to clarify one particular detail of the scheme for redeveloping the site in relation to the Planning Application currently under your consideration. The agent for the Planning Application is Harris Partnership. DLK have been appointed to represent and advise the Parish on details relating to the church building in the development of the scheme in detail from now on.

The letter is in relation to the designs for the alterations to the South side of the church building. This aspect of the scheme has been revised since the drawings originally submitted by Harris, at Pre Application Enquiry stage and now from our perspective, represents an improvement in the design.

Since the original version, the roof pitch has been increased over the new South extension in order that the roof slate finish perform currently; slates can admit wind blown rain if laid at lower pitches and the pitch originally proposed was considered too low.

The consequent reduction in the height of the eaves level along this side improved the appearance here and to the West and the South window heads were revised as a consequence below the lower eaves.

The South West entrance has also been revised now, to replicate the existing detail seen further down the south side and the new joinery details will reflect the existing doors seen.

The more prominent West elevation has been improved in the course of these revisions and now adopts a more symmetrical appearance. The changes to the South side seem entirely appropriate to the original building and on a point of detail this South side is relatively hidden away in the overall configuration of the development proposed.

Hopefully this clarifies recent changes made. We are assuming that a Condition will be issued in any consent granted, requiring that new materials match the existing church structure.

Yours faithfully.

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