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Dear Sonia

Further to my email of 26 February, I am attaching for reference the Business Plan the Association submitted in October 2016. We are happy to revise and update it in light of developments since then. I also attach the Presentation we made to the assessment panel in April 2017 for your further information.

Key advantages of our plan are:

- The flexible arrangements for the spaces within the building enabling the use of these to be maximised.
- The good prospects of our plans for income generation.

In the latter connection we note that instead of the income of £20,000 a year assumed in our Plan Lambeth have now offered a grant of £40,000 a year. This would enable us to employ professional management from the outset.

We consider the financial prospects of a full-scale cafe facility at best uncertain. We would instead provide a tea and coffee facility, building on the success of a stall previously provided by the Friends of the library.

Our nine trustees have been elected by our members, who include over 300 local people. From our firm base in the community we have reached out further through stalls at Herne Hill market and by taking part in other events and projects. We also continue in discussion with the groups which previously used the library in the

expectation that most will return if the Association takes over the management of the building.

We are currently collaborating with the library service in the provision of IT training sessions for improving skills and employability. This is funded by a grant of £5,900 we obtained. We will expand this IT training provision at Carnegie Library if we obtain the asset transfer, and bid for further funding for it. We also support the Friends as community partner with Lambeth Archives in the 'Lost and Found' Memorials project to be funded by external grants.

I look forward to discussing our proposals further; they have the support of both library users and the wider community, are financially sound and would succeed in providing the sort of library, community hub and healthy living centre people want, need and will use.