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Dear Paul

BA13360 HM Naval Base, Gun Wharf, Queensway, proposed refurbishment of existing stone building for the relocation of Police Services from HMS Rooke

Thank you for your letter of 25th November requesting feedback on the above application. The Trust has reviewed the application and met with the architect on site and would comment the following:

- 1) Works to this building are already well underway with the site already having undergone complete stripping out. The schedule of proposed works should have come for consultation well before commencement on site in order to have at least had the change to have taken a photo record of the building's interior prior to commencement of works.
- 2) The above said, there is no objection to the change of use. The policy on replacing windows and doors with like for like is being adhered to. Much of the structural steelwork is being repaired and reconditioned. On the roof finish, we would have advised the use of a synthetic slate such as that recently used by the MOD in the re-roofing of Building 57, in order to improve the character of the building, however in view of the fact that the other buildings in the area occupied by the MOD marine section and the JPDU have recently been reroofed, we have no objection to the use of the same material so as to retain the homogeneity of this side of the complex.
- 3) We are concerned at the exclusion of the Guard House from this project. The building is at present in a vulnerable state due to lack of maintenance, but it would not take much to repair it and bring it back into some use, whether it be storage or otherwise. We would urge GoG to take advantage

of the works to this site to repair this building which forms part of the Gunwharf and North Dockyard Gate Complex.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Claire Montado', written in a cursive style.

Claire Montado