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To: LDF
Subject: Affordable housing SPD

Dear Madam/Sir

1. I support the proposal to treat purpose-built student housing on a par with other forms of housing, and to seek affordable housing as part of such developments. Failure to do so unbalances the playing field by artificially making PBSA a more attractive proposition than other housing types to a developer. This more attractive financial model does not usually feed through into more affordable rents for student occupiers.

2. The National Union of Students regards student accommodation as affordable if it costs less than 50% of the maximum student support available: in the current academic year that means a rent of no more than £4,350.

Yours faithfully,
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