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Reconfiguration to the internal layout and minor external alterations to St. Chad's College, 16 - 22 North Bailey, Durham DH1 3RH

Dear Ms Walton

The City of Durham Trust is happy to support the planning application for changes to St Chad's College. Both the external and internal changes are in sympathy with the existing Listed architecture.

As the Heritage Statement notes, St. Chad's was designed by the architect Francis Johnson in the 1960s, adapting a series of Georgian townhouses into a coherent college. Regrettably, the last major changes to the College – creating the Cassidy Quad – failed to recognise the significance of the garden façade of St Chad's, which is based upon Boynton Hall, East Yorkshire, as designed by Lord Burlington in 1725. Glazing in the lower section of the façade spoils the columned ground floor entrance copied from Boynton Hall.

However, the present application makes no such insensitive changes and we are happy to support it.

Yours sincerely

John Lowe
Chair, City of Durham Trust