

To whom it may concern

The Passivhaus Trust is pleased to support the plans to adopt the Passivhaus standard in [PROJECT X]. Passivhaus is the world's leading low energy building standard, with over 60,000 buildings completed to date, but is still fairly new in the UK, where just over 1000 units have been completed and certified. It is certainly still innovative, as there are many parts of the UK that still don't have any Passivhaus buildings, and the energy and comfort of the final building will far exceed those built to current Building Regulations.

We are happy to support projects that adopt the Passivhaus standard, and feel that they should be given special consideration during planning because of the exceptional energy efficiency performance they will achieve. This means that they should use 50-55% less energy than a typical new home built to Building Regulation standards. Our preference at the moment is that all Passivhaus buildings should ask for independent certification, to ensure that they will achieve the required performance standard.

We hope that you will include consideration of the exceptional nature of Passivhaus performance in your deliberations about this project.

Yours

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