STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, John Eastham, Director of Mitrose Ltd the lawful Owner of Unit 6, Abbey Works, Back King Street, Whalley BB7 9SP.

On 3 April 2009, Planning Permission (Application No.3/2009/0127) was granted for a Change of Use of ONE (of two) Ground Floor Offices (previously used by Bldg. Contractors Secretary) to USE as Taxi Booking Office.

The area edged Red on Plan 2 is the existing First Floor Office, which was constructed when the building was built in the 1980's.

Within 2-3 months, it became evident that the other (second) Ground Floor Office was required for Beez proper functioning as a Taxi Booking Office enterprise.

As this room had also been used as an Office within Wm. Langshaw & Sons Contracting (Building) Operations, I saw no harm and no perceived Change of Use.

By 16 November 2009, Beez Private Hire Business had grown exponentially to such an extent that Drivers required a Prayer room and Rest Room.

As the First Floor Offices had hitherto been used as Bldg. Contractor's Offices, and as Beez requested additional Floor space to meet their business and spiritual requirements, rightly or wrongly, I saw no reason why they should abandon the Ground Floor enterprise and occupy the FF Suite of Offices – where they remain to this day.

A week ago Beez Manager, Mr. Tariq Mahmood 'stumbled' across the old Planning Permission (PP) of 3 April 2009 and asked whether or not the old P.P. had been upgraded/changed for FF use.

Unfortunately, I had to reply in the negative, based on my (wrong) perceived lack of Change of Use – as the FF Suite of Offices had always been used as 'Offices'.

I make this solemn Declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this Statutory Declaration seeks to obtain a Lawful Development Certificate for the First Floor Offices for USE as Taxi Booking Office.

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Date: 9 January 2020

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