

Summary of Decisions of the Building Committee
Building Committee I 8/2017 held on 7.3.2017

(a) BCI 1 8/2017

- Issues : (i) Top of the openable windows in bedrooms of a student hostel was less than 2m above the level of the floor.
- (ii) The openable windows did not face directly into external air.
- (iii) Exclusion of acoustic fins with 500mm projection from GFA calculation.
- Decisions : (i) & (ii) The committee noted that the proposed “acoustic windows” system would achieve the performance required standards in providing natural lighting and ventilation and would have merits in noise mitigation. Hence, the committee had no objection to the granting of modification to permit the top of the openable windows to be less than 2m and to permit the windows not to face directly into external air.
- (iii) Having considered the hostel use and that the acoustic fins were in line with JPN, the committee agreed to the exclusion of the fins from GFA.

(b) BCI 2 8/2017

- Issue : Exemption of carpark and ancillary accommodation below the existing slope profile and platform from GFA calculation.
- Decision : The committee had no in-principle objection to permit the exclusion of sunken carpark and ancillary accommodation from GFA calculation upon formal building plan submission.

(c) BCI 3 8/2017

- Issue : Exclusion of covered pedestrian passageway and associated lifts/staircases from GFA calculation.
- Decision : The committee had no in-principle objection to the exemption of the passageway and associated structures from GFA calculation upon formal building plan submission.