

## COMPLAINTS HANDLING PROCEDURE

## **RECEIVING A COMPLAINT**

Sinclair Studios is a Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) Chartered Practice registration number 20025388 and is committed to maintain the RIBA Code of practice together with the Architects Registration Board (ARB) Architects Code: Standards of Professional Conduct and Practice

Sinclair Studios strives to provide you with an exceptional service. Unfortunately, we recognise that on occasion misunderstandings and disputes may arise with clients, co-professionals and third parties through our professional work.

We want to resolve any problems as quickly as we can. The easiest way is by calling us on 0203 4883438 and we will put you in touch with the architect who is leading your project.

If you prefer you can email us at hello@sinclairstudios.co.uk and ask for the director Billy Sinclair to investigate your complaint.

## TIME FRAME

We will aim to resolve your concerns within 10 working days. This will obviously depend on the nature of your complaint and if we feel that it is going to take longer we will keep you updated throughout the investigation process and aim to respond to you, addressing the issues, within 30 days from its receipt.

Once our investigation of the issue is complete we will inform you of our response and outline the steps we will take to rectify the situation.

## WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE NOT SATISFIED

If you are not satisfied with our response and we have not been able to resolve your concerns, it may be referred to the following bodies:

- Royal Institute of British Architects: RIBA Professional Standards
  Office Contact: <a href="mailto:professional.standards@riba.org">professional.standards@riba.org</a>
- Architects Registration Board (ARB) Contact: <a href="http://www.arb.org.uk/complaints/i-want-to-make-a-complaint/">http://www.arb.org.uk/complaints/i-want-to-make-a-complaint/</a>

Please refer to their websites for further information on their processes and timescales. If you are unable to reach a resolution with the RIBA & ARB you may consider alternative dispute resolutions such as mediation.