

Plus and minus

THE Embassy is going straight. From mid April committees of pupils from public schools like Eton, Harrow and Westminster are going to advise on the running of a junior version of the club proper.

"It'll be completely straight, properly run," said Stephen Hayter the operations manager. "The gay connection has nothing to do with it. The club is tri-sexual anyway. There'll be soft drinks, no alcohol."

According to Hayter the schools were well aware of the plans. "We don't expect them to go laying on buses for them to come here but some of the masters think it's a good idea."

None of those I spoke to last night had ever heard of the idea. "It's news to me," said Dr John Rae, headmaster of Westminster. At Harrow the headmaster's office told me: "If it's something the boys are doing in their

spare time I can't see how we would be involved." And Eton's Michael McCrum said: "I have no knowledge of it."

Despite that Hayter is going ahead. Already 200 juniors have paid £5 for a year's membership of the place which be known as 14 Plus Minus 18.

