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Declaration

Crossrail Limited confirm that the attached statement is an accurate representation of our position and we consider that the Local Development Framework Core Strategy Submission Draft to be sound in respects to matters relating to Crossrail and make no representation to the contrary.


Signed on behalf of the Crossrail Limited:



Print Name: KEITH BERRYMAN

Date: 17 March 2010

and Counter signed on behalf of the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea:



PETER LERNER
Executive Director of Planning and Borough Development

Date: 18th March 2010

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Context

This Statement of Common Ground has been prepared by the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea. It sets out the areas of agreement between the above two organisations and has been produced to aid the Inspector in their consideration of the Core Strategy.

The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea consider that the Core Strategy is a sound document as submitted to the Secretary of State. Any improvements set out in this Statement are clarifications to the approach set out in the Core Strategy and have been agreed to ensure that the Core Strategy accurately reflects the Council's intentions.

Matter 1

No Crossrail station is included in Kensal as part of the Crossrail programme of works nor as part of the Crossrail Act 2002.

Resolution

Crossrail recognises the aspiration of the RBKC for a station at Kensal Green.

Mayor Boris Johnson has set out three guiding tests which a Crossrail station in Kensal must pass in the first instance if a station is to be delivered. This has been agreed by Crossrail, RBKC, the Department for Transport and the GLA. These tests are that a station at Kensal site does not:

1. degrade Crossrail's service or those of other rail services
2. add to Crossrail's costs
3. delay the Crossrail construction programme

Work is currently being undertaken to examine the various signalling and timetabling implications of a station in Kensal and the effect this has on performance. Should this work show that performance is not negatively affected, Crossrail, in partnership with the Royal Borough, will further examine the business case for delivering a station in this location and established the regulatory implications, as part of the Crossrail works, with a view to the station opening with Crossrail in 2017.