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THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF
**KENSINGTON
AND CHELSEA**

Statutory Consultees

My reference: **Environmental Assessment
Screening Opinion Westway SPD**

Please ask for: Patricia Cuervo

25 April 2012

Dear Statutory Consultee,

We are consulting you in accordance with Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 in connection with the preparation of a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for the Westway in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea. Before determining whether or not the SPD is likely to have significant environmental effects and therefore whether a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is required the Council must consult your organisation.

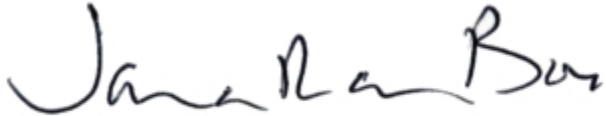
The draft Westway SPD sets out the Council's approach as to how the land underneath and close to the Westway flyover can be developed to improve access for communities north and south of the Westway and to aid in improving the environment and the regeneration of the immediate area. It will be used to help guide planning and investment decisions. The Brief builds upon the policy requirements within the Core Strategy and provides a detailed framework to focus and co-ordinate future investment in the area. It also provides an opportunity to improve the physical environment by addressing issues of safety, security and connectivity as well as overcoming the ongoing negative impacts of the flyover. The underlying aim is to utilise the space beneath the Westway and land adjacent to it for a more sustainable mix of uses and activities, which will benefit surrounding residents and the wider community. The SPD is currently being consulted for 6 weeks until 8 June 2012.

The Council has considered the requirements of the Regulations, and specifically, Schedule I (the criteria for determining the likely significance of the effects on the environment). The Council's preliminary view is that the SPD is not likely to have significant environmental effects, and therefore an SEA is not required in this instance.

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Please let me know if you have any queries in connection with the above. If you consider that there is a need for an SEA I would be grateful if you could contact the officer Patricia Cuervo as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jonathan Bore". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and a prominent 'B'.

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