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Dear Ms Crawford

Proposed Cycle Stands Queen Anne's Gate ref :CA110787/MC/CYC/SJ-236&SJ-237

I am writing on behalf of The Thorney Island Society, the amenity group that covers the area that includes Queen Anne's Gate, to object to the siting of cycle stands in front of some of the best preserved and attractive early eighteenth century houses in London.

While we are in favour of providing better provision for cyclists, this should not be at the expense of such admired views. The sites seem to have been chosen simply because the pavement is wider, but the wider pavements are precisely what is needed to appreciate these views. On the south side of the street the siting may have been chosen with a view to the bicycles being 'concealed' by parked cars, but the stands will have to be set well in from the edge of the pavement in order to enable full use of the car parking spaces, and this would have an extremely detrimental effect on the view in both directions along the pavement. On the north side the bicycles will be seen sideways on and would be equally visually intrusive.

We note that there are many places nearby, nearer to the high density offices and retail spaces that cycle users visit, that have not been proposed for new stands and would ask you to reconsider these particular locations in Queen Anne's Gate.

Your Sincerely

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