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For the attention of Matthew Mason

24th May 2012

Dear Mr. Mason

Ref 12/04265/FULL

**Hyde park Corner, London W1J TNT**

**Erection of three temporary pedestrian bridges and associated preparatory works, including pruning of trees, removal of a tree, and related crowd management infrastructure.**

Thank you for forwarding a copy of the above applications, along with your letter dated 9 th May 2012. We have examined the application and the reports attached to it. Based on earlier presentations and the precedent of the use of similar temporary structures in 2007, we are of the opinion that the three temporary bridge structures are acceptable for the period of the Olympic and paralympic Games.

We note that the earlier considerations were for five bridges in the area. There is no doubt that the crossing of Knightsbridge will be very heavily used by pedestrians.

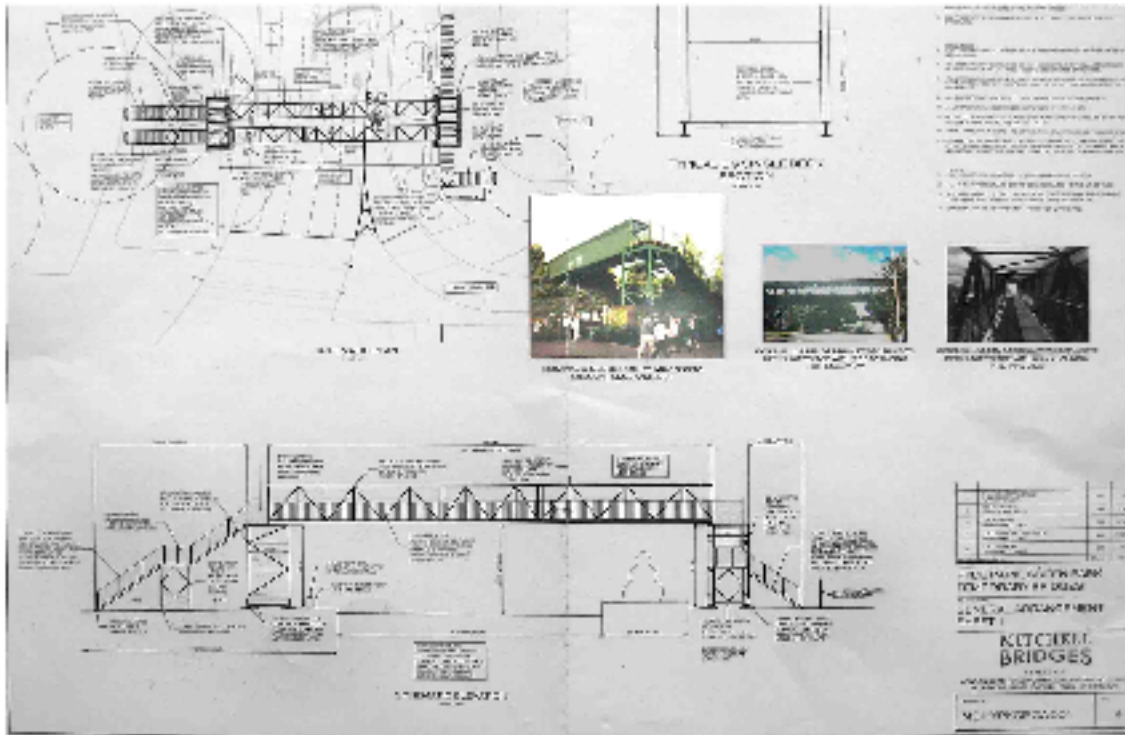
We emphasise the need for proper protection for the existing planting throughout the process.: and particularly that the restoration connection with the removal of the structures must be returned to at least to their former state. We note the proposed removal of a tree and also the reduction in height and cutting back of others. It is a requirement that those affected must be returned to an acceptable condition - physical and in appearance; or be replaced .

We trust our observations and comments will be of assistance and ask that our comments be made known to the Planning Committee and the full Council.

Yours Sincerely  
for and on behalf of the Thorney Island Society

*PP Tom Ball*

**June A Stubbs**  
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Photomontage of Grosvenor Crescent temporary pedestrian bridge with indicative London 2012 branding

