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Dear Mr.Gray

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**Temporary erection on the fourth plinth in the north-west section of
Trafalgar Square of a sculpture by Elmgreen and Dragnet's of a
young boy astride a rocking horse.**

Thank you for forwarding a copy of the above application along with your letter dated 22nd November 2011. We have considered the application carefully and put forward our comments as appropriate.

The Society has no objection in principle; and has been concerned with the on going process of achieving different feature on the Fourth Plinth over a number of years, and welcome the process.

As for the current proposal we were at first a little concerned by the subject and its representation. But taking into account the Artist's Statement in the Design and Access Statement, we warm to the idea and find the subject matter and its intent acceptable. However we think that in proceeding with the sculpture it will be very important to make known the feelings and sentiments behind it. We consider that it's contrast with the surrounding sculptures, is welcome as a reminder of a different expression of human kind, especially at a time when there is so much violence in the world.

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

Yours Sincerely
for and on behalf of the Thorney Island Society

PP Tom Ball

June A Stubbs
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