

Moseley Forum

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To:

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Dear Kate, Connor, Anthony, Caroline,

Thank you for attending our meeting of 25th July and the presentation. It was very helpful to understand your new programme targets along with the risks, opportunities and constraints you are now working to. Despite the challenge from the audience, we are very supportive of the station and impatient to get on a train to New St at the end of 2024 at the latest. As you might expect we have some questions that follow from the meeting;

PRESENTATION - Could you please send us the promised the presentation which we can then publish on our website. The programme, contained within it, will be most helpful in understanding where we are in the overall development process.

POWER & WATER – You will have heard the strong sentiment expressed at the meeting and previously, that the provision of a power supply and a water supply for use by the community station adoption group is essential. The community has already started discussions on how the forecourt space could be used to improve economic regeneration and enhance community cohesion, and not having power or water would severely restrict options. We understood at the meeting that this was not part of your proposals at present despite the rainwater attenuation tank you're installing being an ideal source. We should be grateful if you would investigate the steps that need to be taken so that there is suitable provision. It's worth noting that your early graphics and drawings for planning approval do indicate the possibility of some pop-up kiosks which would undoubtedly need power and possibly water.

HIGHWAY WORKS CONSULTATION - We were obviously interested in the options put forward for the construction of the roundel but the meeting had little time to respond and give their opinions. If we could have fully worked up proposals we would be happy to share them on our website and advertise them via social media. We would assume that any wider survey of opinion would be carried out by yourselves. To allow residents to understand the three options; (Daytime staged, daytime full closure, night time) they need to be clearly explained together with their respective timescales along with the diversion routes necessary to alleviate the traffic disruption.

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DESIGN CONSULTATION - We were disappointed that neither we, nor Moseley Society, would have opportunity to input to the detailed design process prior to the submission for clearance of conditions relating to the choice of materials. We were also disappointed that your presentation did not address the alternatives presented to you in Tom Oldham's drawings. We would therefore welcome a small meeting with your design team. This could be used to provide you with informal feedback on the choice of materials and the finer details of the design. We, as the Forum, are keen to ensure that the community is fully engaged with the station now and in the future.

CYCLE LANE – We understand that you will be consulting with Adam Tranter at WMCA with regards to linking the station to the cycle lane especially as Andy Street thinks 'It will be daft not to'. We would be grateful if you could advise on the steps to be implemented to ensure its inclusion in your works.

SITE VISIT – A limited group of us were invited to a site inspection at the commencement of your site set up and we would welcome a further visit towards the end of the year to see the progress made and the issues being encountered.

We look forward to your response and to welcoming you back to the Forum at a suitable date in the future.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "David Isgrove". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underlining the name.

David Isgrove & Radley Russell

Chair and Vice Chair of Moseley Forum