Delegated Report			Expiry Date:	20/12/2011
Officer		Application Number(s)		
Joe Purcell		2011/5371/A		
Application Address		Application Type		
Area incorporating Kings Cros Pancras Road and Charringto London	Advertisement Consent			
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		Grant Adverti	isement Consei	nt
Proposal(s) Official London 2012 city dressings to be installed for a temporary period prior to and during the Olympic and Paralympics' Games. Items to be installed include lamp post banners, feather flags, fence banners, pavement vinyl, wall vinyl and cross street sails from the 19 th June until the 22 nd September 2012				
Consultations				
Summary of consultation N/A responses:				
Site Description				
The area encompasses King's Cross Station, St Pancras Station, The British Library and part of the residential area of Somertown; the area is located within King's Cross/St Pancras Conservation Area. The proposed advertising in this area will be positioned on Midland Road and Pancras Road adjacent St Pancras Station. None of the proposed advertisement will be attached to listed buildings.				
Relevant History				
N/A				
Relevant policies				
LDF Core Strategy and Development Policies CS5 – Managing the impact of growth CS14 – Promoting high quality places and conserving our heritage DP24 – Securing high quality design DP25 – Conserving Camden's Heritage DP26 – Managing the impact of development on occupiers and neighbours Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007 Camden Planning Guidance 2011 (as amended)				

Assessment

Proposal

All of the proposed dressings below are for a temporary period of time prior, during and after the Olympic and Para-Olympic games from the 19th June until the 22nd September 2012

Erection of 10 lamppost banners on both sides of Pancras Road. The Banners are made from a polyethelene material and would be 3m high from ground floor level with a height of 2m and a width of 0.8m. The banners would be non-illuminated and of various colours consisting of London and Olympic logos.

Erection of 7 polyethelene canopy's in Purchese Street playing area; 1 on Midland Road at the entrance of St Pancras Station and 2 on Pancras Street at the other entrance to St Pancras Station. Canopies will have a width of 2.2m, vary in colour and be non-illuminated.

Display of 13 floor vinyl dressings are proposed in Purchese Street Playing area, Purchese Street, pavements on either side of Midland Road and Pancras Road outside station entrance. These will vary in size: 5 on Midland Road will measure 2m x 2m; 3 on Midland Road will measure 10m x 1m; 2 on Pancras Road 2m x 2m; 1 on Pancras Road 10m x 1m and 2 in Camley Street Natural Park 2m x 2m. All of these are non-illuminated.

Erection of fence fabric dressing in Purchese Street, Midland Road and Camley Street. These double sided fence dressings made from a plastic material will measure 2.5m x 0.9m and be attached to the temporary fencing (2.5m x 1.1m) via cable ties, these dressings will be non-illuminated.

The Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007 permits the Council to only consider design and public safety matters in determining advertisement consent applications.

Design:

The proposed lamp post banners, canopy's, floor/pavement dressings and fence dressings located on Pancras Road, Midland Road, Purchese Street and Camley Street are considered to contribute to the visual clutter of the streets. However, it would only be for a temporary period to a maximum of 95 days, and the advertisement is for an event of national significance, due to these reasons it is considered as an exception that the proposed advertisements would be acceptable in design terms.

Public Safety:

Originally 13 lamp post banners were proposed on Pancras Road, however 3 hindered the sight lines of the 2 CCTV cameras positioned on Pancras Road. These have been removed from the application and it is now considered the remaining 10 lamp post banners are positioned so that they will not obscure or hinder the views for the CCTV cameras up and down Pancras Road.

It is also considered that the location and size of the banners will not be harmful to pedestrian or vehicle traffic and the banners will not obscure or hinder the interpretation of road traffic signs or distract motorists.

Recommendation:

The proposed advert is in general compliance with policies CS14, DP24 and DP25 of the Local Development Framework the application is therefore recommended for approval.

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