# **Archaeological Impact Assessment**

In support of an application for a docking station on the carriageway and footway adjacent to:

126 High Holborn on Southampton Place, WC1

Reference Number: 02/610276 Status: FINAL

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This Archaeological Impact Assessment is provided in support of a full planning application for the installation of a Cycle Hire docking station on the carriageway and footway adjacent to 126 High Holborn on Southampton Place in the Borough of Camden.

The general principles of the docking station design have been developed in consultation with the boroughs, Royal Parks and other key stakeholders. Preapplication advice has been sought from the Greater London Archaeological Advisory Service. This Assessment includes an appraisal of the recorded archaeological remains in the area and the extent to which the docking station would impact on any significant archaeological remains. The groundworks for the docking station will not penetrate deeper than 450mm below the current ground surface.

Previous archaeological investigations in the vicinity of the Site have revealed that due to the depth of basements of the buildings in this area any potential archaeological remains will have been severely truncated. Mr Rob Whytehead of GLASS has also indicated that it is unlikely that archaeological remains will be encountered in the top 450mm. It has therefore been concluded that there is no potential for archaeological remains to be encountered at the site and no further investigation in recommended.

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Statement Overview

Cycling within London has experienced rapid growth. It is estimated that there has been a 91 percent increase in the number of cycling trips within London since the year 2000 with around 500,000 cycle trips currently taking place every day. In 2006/07 cycling accounted for 1.6 percent of all modal trips in London and 3.7 percent of all journeys to work within inner London. The Mayor's aspiration is to increase the modal proportion of cycling trips within London to 5 percent and more generally, improve conditions for cyclists. The Mayor has set Transport for London (TfL) a target to increase cycle trips by 400 percent by 2025.

To help achieve this growth TfL has been tasked with implementing the Cycle Hire Scheme within central London by May 2010. The Scheme will deliver around 6,000 bicycles across approximately 400 sites.

The Scheme will allow people to hire a bicycle from a docking station, use it as desired and return it to either the same or another docking station. To ensure the adequate availability of docking points and bicycles for those hiring and returning bicycles, approximately 10,200 docking points at around 400 sites at a density of approximately nine sites per square kilometre are required.

The Scheme has been developed in collaboration with the Royal Parks and the following nine London Boroughs:

- · London Borough of Camden;
- London Borough of Hackney;
- London Borough of Islington;
- Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea;
- London Borough of Lambeth;
- City of London:
- London Borough of Southwark;
- · London Borough of Tower Hamlets; and
- · City of Westminster.

# 1.2 Purpose of the Document

TfL wish to apply for planning permission for a Cycle Hire docking station, comprising a terminal and 22 docking points adjacent to 126 High Holborn on Southampton Place in the Borough of Camden.

Following discussions with the Archaeological Advisor to the Planning Authority, Mr Rob Whytehead at Greater London Archaeological Advisory Service (GLAAS), the Site has been identified as not requiring further archaeological intervention, provided the excavations do not penetrate any deeper than 450mm.

#### The document

- describes the archaeological background to the area;
- describes the proposal;

- assesses the likely impact of the scheme on the basis of the available information; and
- recommends no further action.

### 1.3 Methodology

A list of cultural heritage sites has been compiled (Appendix 1) through consultation carried out by Hyder Consulting in April 2009.

The Assessment draws together the available archaeological, topographic and land-use information to clarify the archaeological potential of the Site.

The Assessment comprises of an examination of evidence in the Greater London Sites and Monuments Record (SMR). It considers the results of nearby archaeological investigations, incorporates published and unpublished material and charts historic land-use through examination of any readily available historic maps.

Clearly, any information on the depth of overburden for the archaeological assets would be a key consideration in determining whether the construction of the docking station would be likely to impact on archaeology. Detailed discussions to establish the nature of the archaeological potential have been undertaken with Mr Rob Whytehead at the Greater London Archaeological Advisory Service (GLAAS).

### 2 ANALYSIS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL BACKGROUND

# 2.1 Scheduled Ancient Monuments (SAMs)

There are no SAMs on the Site or within a distance where their setting would be affected by the proposed development.

# 2.2 Greater London Archaeology Advisory Service

#### Archaeological Advisor

Mr Rob Whytehead has commented on the archaeological implications of the development.

Mr Whytehead had confirmed that while the Site lies in an Archaeological Priority Area and is very close to a Roman road, leading to the possibility of roadside burials being present, it is unlikely that archaeological remains will be encountered in the top 450mm.

# Greater London Sites and Monuments Record (SMR) and unpublished archaeological sources

The SMR identifies a number of assets within 50m of the Site and these are listed in Appendix 1.

Two archaeological watching briefs have been carried out in the vicinity of the Site, one at 14 Barter Street (ELO2737) and one at 125 High Holborn (ELO7226). Both of these investigations found no evidence of archaeological remains owing to the presence of deep basements.

# 2.3 Historic Maps

Rocque's map of 1746 shows the street layout at that time was generally on its modern day layout, although the streetnames have changed. Southampton Place was called Southampton Street, Barter Street was called Silver Street and Southampton Row was called Kings Street. This remains the same on Greenwoods map of 1830 and Stanford's 1862 map.

Stanford's 1862 map also shows the West Central Post Office located on the corner of Southampton Street and High Holborn.

Individual properties from the 18<sup>th</sup> century are still standing along Southampton Place although the building adjacent to Site was recently subject to development.

### 3 THE PROPOSALS AND THEIR POTENTIAL IMPACT

# 3.1 Site Description

The Site lies on the carriageway and footway on the east side of Southampton Place. Please refer to the Planning Design and Access Statement for further information.

# 3.2 Docking Station

The development comprises a terminal and 22 docking points. The foundations would be no deeper than 450mm below the current ground level. The form that the foundations will take has not been finalised. Further information regarding the docking station can be found in the Planning Design and Access Statement.

# 3.3 The Potential Impact

Foundations would be no deeper than 450mm and it is unlikely that any archaeological remains will be encountered at this depth.

Under these circumstances it is proposed that no further archaeological investigations are undertaken.

#### 4 CONCLUSIONS

This Assessment has revealed that there is no potential for significant archaeological remains in the carriageway and footway adjacent to 126 High Holborn on Southampton Place in the Borough of Camden.

It is recommended that no further archaeological investigations are undertaken at this stage given the findings of previous archaeological evaluations that the depths of basements in the area have truncated any potential for archaeological remains.

Appendix 1
Consultation response from the Greater London Archaeology Service Sites and Monuments Record.

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## **Greater London Sites and Monuments Record - Search Report**

# Enquiry: Report 8449 London Cycle Hire Scheme Southampton Place TQ 30445 81532 50m radius search

Thank you for your enquiry to the GLSMR. Please find below all records held on the GLSMR database within the area specified in your request. Please note that there is a backlog of listed buildings and archaeological reports awaiting entry into the system and we cannot guarantee that the information supplied is fully up to date.

*** GLSMR NEWS ***							
3-Aug-2006	Record Sort Order Changed						
	The records within the SMR search report are now sorted by 'Name' (and then by 'MonUID') rather than 'MonUID' as this should display multiple records for a single site together in the indexes and report. However, many site names begin with numbers from the address and so records from same street will not necessarily appear together. All new records added to the GLSMR, and those altered during data rationalisation and other projects, are being named with the street name before the number (for example The Street (No. 1), London) so that in future results from the same street will appear together.						
31-July-2006	Full Address Data Added						
	The HTML report and XML data file have been altered to include the full address which was perviously missing.						
25-Jan-2006	Listed Building Data and Designations Updated						
	All of the Listed Buildings entries within the GLSMR have been updated using the latest dataset from the National Monuments Record and the GLSMR search report (the document you are reading now) has been updated to display the full designation description for the listed buildings encountered within your search area.						
	*** END ***						

NOTE: Please ensure you read this document from a saved version and not directly from the e-mail as this may cause problems with the displayed data and hyperlinks.

If you have any further enquiries, or if you have any problems interpreting the data, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours Sincerely,

The Greater London SMR Team

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Note: Commercial SMR search requests are charged at a cost of 35 pounds plus VAT each and collected via invoice

# **Monument Index:**

(Click on the MonUID to view full details for each record)

### **Archaeology**

MonUID	Pref. Ref.	Name	Monument Types	Date Range				
Listed Buildings								
MonUID MLO81037	<b>Pref. Ref.</b> MLO81037	<i>Name</i> 127-128 High Holborn	Monument Types BANK (FINANCIAL), OFFICE	Date Range 19th Century to Modern (1884 AD to 1924 AD)				
MLO81040	MLO81040	207 High Holborn	SHOP, TERRACED HOUSE	18th Century to 19th Century (1800 AD to 1899 AD)				
MLO81044	MLO81044	NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK	BANK (FINANCIAL)	19th Century (1854 AD)				
MLO80219	MLO80219	NUMBERS 1-8 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS	TERRACE, TERRACED HOUSE, RAILINGS	18th Century (1758 AD to 1763 AD)				
MLO81042	MLO81042	PRINCESS LOUISE PUBLIC HOUSE	PUBLIC HOUSE, PUBLIC HOUSE	18th Century to 19th Century (1800 AD to 1899 AD)				
Maritime								
MonUID	Pref. Ref.	Name	Monument Types	Date Range				
Other								
MonUID MLO17846	<b>Pref. Ref.</b> 082074/00/00	<i>Name</i> 14 BARTER ST	Monument Types NEGATIVE EVIDENCE	<i>Date Range</i> Unknown (Unknown)				

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#### **Event Index:**

Event ID Event Name Event Description

ELO2737 14 BARTER ST There is no description for this event

Location: Centroid TQ 3040 8150 (MBR: 10m by 10m)

**Associated Monuments** 

MLO17846 - 14 BARTER ST - [Unknown (Unknown)]

Event ID Event Name Event Description

Not Applicable No Associated Event

Location: not specified

**Associated Monuments** 

MLO80219 - NUMBERS 1-8 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS - [18th Century (1758 AD to 1763 AD)]

MLO81037 - 127-128 High Holborn - [19th Century to Modern (1884 AD to 1924 AD)]
- 207 High Holborn - [18th Century to 19th Century (1800 AD to 1899 AD)]

MLO81042 - PRINCESS LOUISE PUBLIC HOUSE - [18th Century to 19th Century (1800 AD to 1899 AD)]

MLO81044 - NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK - [19th Century (1854 AD)]

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### **Record Details - Archaeology:**

#### **Record Details - Listed Buildings:**

#### Start of record

MonUID MLO81037
Monument Type Listed Building
Preferred Ref. MLO81037

Name 127-128 High Holborn

Map Sheet TQ38SW

Grid References Centre Point: TQ 30424 81526 (point)

Summary Record created from imported Listed Buildings On-line dataset 11-Jan-2006; see linked Designation record for

full details

Description

**Sources** 

Number Reference

Location

Administrative Area

- [Borough] CAMDEN

**Address** 

- 127-128 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6PQ

- 127-128 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6PQ

#### **Monument/Component Types**

BANK (FINANCIAL) (Undated)

OFFICE (19th Century to Modern - 1884 AD to 1924 AD)

**Find Types** 

Designations

Type/Grade Reference/Title Description

Listed Building (II) 478240 CAMDEN TQ3081NW HIGH HOLBORN 798-1/100/830 (North side) 14/05/74 Nos.127 AND 129 II Office block, now a bank. c1904. By H Percy Adams and Charles Holden. Portland stone with granite ground

Percy Adams and Charles Holden. Portland stone with granite ground floor. 4 storeys and attic. 4 bays to High Holborn, splayed corner, 4 bay return to Southampton Place. Free Classical manner with rusticated pilasters between bays carrying sill string at 3rd floor level. Roundarched entrance on corner with bracketed stone balcony above. Architraved windows, those on 1st floor with broken cornices alternating with Venetian style. Bracketed cornice, above which attic. Corner surmounted by a turret. INTERIOR: not inspected. Listing NGR:

TQ3042481526

**Other Statuses and References** 

Type/Grade Reference/Title

**Associated Activities/Events** 

Event ID Name/Ref

Not Applicable No Associated Event

Brief Description (click Event ID for details)

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End of record

MonUID MLO81040
Monument Type Listed Building
Preferred Ref. MLO81040
Name 207 High Holborn
Map Sheet TQ38SW

Grid References Centre Point: TQ 30442 81484 (point)

Summary Record created from imported Listed Buildings On-line dataset 11-Jan-2006; see linked Designation record for

full details

Description

Sources

Number Reference

Location

Administrative Area - [Borough] CAMDEN

Address

- 207 High Holborn, London, WC1V 7BW

**Monument/Component Types** 

SHOP (18th Century to 19th Century - 1800 AD to 1899 AD)

TERRACED HOUSE (18th Century to 19th Century - 1800 AD to 1899 AD)

#### **Find Types**

**Designations** 

Type/Grade Reference/Title Description

Listed Building (II) 478243 CAMDEN TQ3081SW HIGH HOLBORN 798-1/105/832 (South side) 15/01/73 No 207 II Terraced house and shop. C19 earlier. Yellow stock

15/01/73 No.207 II Terraced house and shop. C19 earlier. Yellow stock brick with stucco cornice and blocking course. Plain stucco 3rd floor sill band. 5 storeys 2 windows with 4-window right return, some blocked. Wooden shopfront with entablature with iron cresting flanked by consoles. Altered shop window, with large panes. House doorway at return with pilasters carrying entablature. Architraved sash windows with original glazing bars, the 2 above the shopfront having consoles carrying projecting cornices. INTERIOR: not inspected. Listing NGR:

TQ3044281484

Other Statuses and References

Type/Grade Reference/Title

**Associated Activities/Events** 

Event ID Name/Ref Brief Description (click Event ID for details)

Not Applicable No Associated Event

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#### End of record

MonUID MLO81044
Monument Type Listed Building
Preferred Ref. MLO81044

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK

Map Sheet TQ38SW

Grid References Centre Point: TQ 30462 81488 (point)

Summary Record created from imported Listed Buildings On-line dataset 11-Jan-2006; see linked Designation record for

full details

**Description** 

**Sources** 

Number Reference

Location

Administrative Area - [Borough] CAMDEN

**Address** 

- 212-214 High Holborn, London, WC1V 7RN

**Monument/Component Types** 

BANK (FINANCIAL) (19th Century - 1854 AD)

**Find Types** 

Designations

Type/Grade Reference/Title
Listed Building (II) 478247 NATIONAL
WESTMINSTER BANK

Description

CAMDEN TQ3081SW HIGH HOLBORN 798-1/105/834 (South side) 14/05/74 No.212 National Westminster Bank II Bank. 1854. By Henry Baker. Portland stone. 4 storeys and basements. 5 bay symmetrical facade in Palladian style. Slightly projecting entrance bays at ends with rusticated quoins. 3 segmental-arched ground floor windows. Round arched doorways with vermiculated rusticated surrounds and coat of arms in cartouches on keystones; engaged columns (to left) and brackets (to east) with blind balustraded balconies at 1st floor level; doorways with fanlights and double panelled doors. Sill strings at floor levels. Architraved sash windows, 1st floor with bracketed pediments, 2nd with cornices. Console-bracketed cornice with Greek fret frieze below with paired lion-head stops. INTERIOR: not inspected. Listing NGR: TQ3046281488

Other Statuses and References

Type/Grade Reference/Title

**Associated Activities/Events** 

Event ID Name/Ref

Not Applicable No Associated Event

Brief Description (click Event ID for details)

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MLO80219 MonUID Monument Type Listed Building Preferred Ref. MLO80219

NUMBERS 1-8 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS Name

Map Sheet TQ38SW

**Grid References** TQ 30431 81570 (point) Centre Point:

Summary Record created from imported Listed Buildings On-line dataset 11-Jan-2006; see linked Designation record for

Description

Sources

Number Reference

#### Location

#### Administrative Area

- [Borough] CAMDEN

#### Address

- 1 Southampton Place, London, WC1A 2DA
- 2 Southampton Place, London, WC1A 2DA
- 3-4 Southampton Place, London, WC1A 2DA
- 3-4 Southampton Place, London, WC1A 2DA
- 7 Southampton Place, London, WC1A 2DA
- 7 Southampton Place, London, WC1A 2DA

#### **Monument/Component Types**

- RAILINGS (18th Century 1758 AD to 1763 AD) TERRACE (18th Century 1758 AD to 1763 AD)
- TERRACED HOUSE (18th Century 1758 AD to 1763 AD)

#### **Find Types**

#### **Designations**

Type/Grade Reference/Title Listed Building (II\*) 478125 NUMBERS 1-8 AND ATTACHED RAILINGS

#### Description

CAMDEN TQ3081NW SOUTHAMPTON PLACE 798-1/100/1471 (East side) 24/10/51 Nos.1-8 (Consecutive) and attached railings GV II\* Terrace of 8 houses. c1785-63. Probably under the direction of Henry Flitcroft. Darkened multi-coloured stock brick with a stone band at 1st floor level. Tiled mansard roofs with dormers. 3 storeys, attics and basements. 3 windows each. Gauged brick flat arches to recessed sash windows. Bracketed cornices below parapets. No.1: wooden architraved doorcase with carved consoles and pedimented cornice. Nos 2 & 3: semicircular headed entrances with patterned fanlights and panelled doors. No.2 with margin lights. No.3 doorframe with fluted frieze and cornice and fluted pilasters at sides with foliated capitals. Nos 4, 5 and 7: wooden doorcases with engaged Doric columns carrying entablature and pediment; fanlights and panelled door. Nos 6 and 8: stone doorcases with carved consoles and cornices, No.8 pedimented. All entrances approached by steps over basement areas. INTERIORS: not inspected but noted to retain good staircases, fireplaces and panelling, those of Nos 4, 5, 6 and 8 being especially fine. SUBSIDIARY FEATURES: attached cast-iron railings with torch flambe finials to areas. Listing NGR: TQ3043181570

**Other Statuses and References** 

Type/Grade Reference/Title

**Associated Activities/Events** 

Event ID Name/Ref

Not Applicable No Associated Event Brief Description (click Event ID for details)

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MLO81042 MonUID Monument Type Listed Building Preferred Ref. MLO81042

PRINCESS LOUISE PUBLIC HOUSE Name

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**Grid References** TQ 30436 81486 (point) Centre Point:

Record created from imported Listed Buildings On-line dataset 11-Jan-2006; see linked Designation record for Summary

Description

Sources

Number Reference

Location

Administrative Area

- [Borough] CAMDEN

208 High Holborn, London, WC1V 7BW

- 208 High Holborn, London, WC1V 7BW

**Monument/Component Types** 

PUBLIC HOUSE (18th Century to 19th Century - 1800 AD to 1899 AD)

PUBLIC HOUSE (19th Century - 1891 AD)

#### **Find Types**

**Designations** 

Type/Grade Reference/Title Listed Building (II\*)

478245 PRINCESS LOUISE **PUBLIC HOUSE** 

Description

CAMDEN TQ3081SW HIGH HOLBORN 798-1/105/833 (South side) 15/01/73 Nos.208 AND 209 Princess Louise Public House II\* Public house. Mid C19. Interior 1891 by William B Simpson and Sons who contracted out the work. Yellow brick with stone and terracotta dressings. EXTERIOR: 4 storeys 4 windows. Double-fronted public house ground floor facade of red granite columns and pilasters (with masks on the capitals), carrying entablature flanked by modified consoles. Central bow window with arched and lozenge lights flanked by wide entrances. Recessed sash windows with moulded stone heads, enriched impost bands, bracketed sills with cast-iron window guards to 2nd and 3rd floors. Entablature with dentil cornice and rosettes in frieze. Parapet. INTERIOR: good interior with decorative, polychrome tile work, gold embossed glass by R Morris & Son, stained glass and original mahogany bar fittings by WH Lascelles and Co. In centre of bar, 4 cast-iron Corinthian columns carrying patterned ceiling with moulded cornice and polychrome tile frieze decorated with urns and swags. Staircase with elaborate wrought-iron balustrade between ground and 1st floor. 1st floor bar with good fittings and Art Nouveau dado. Interesting contemporary gents WC in basement with marble urinals and retaining some tiled walls and fittings. Included II\* as a rich example of a Victorian public house interior. Listing NGR: TQ3043681486

**Other Statuses and References** 

Type/Grade Reference/Title

**Associated Activities/Events** 

Event ID Name/Ref

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#### **Record Details - Others:**

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**MonUID** MLO17846 Monument Type Negative Evidence 082074/00/00 Preferred Ref. Name 14 BARTER ST Map Sheet TQ38SW

Grid References

Summary Description

Centre Point:

Centroid TQ 3040 8150 (MBR: 10m by 10m)

TRIAL TRENCHING BY ILAU 1976 (SITE CODE BAR76) IN AN ATTEMPT TO FIND LINE OF TWO ROMAN ROADS, FOUND THAT ANY ARCHAEOLOGICAL DEPOSITS HAD BEEN REMOVED BY BASEMENTS.

**Sources** 

Number Reference

Unpublished document: RCHME. EXCAVATIONS INDEX, PRN 207, SLO31539

SLO31540 Article in monograph: EXCAVATION ROUND-UP 1976, LONDON ARCH VOL 3 NO 2, P 37,

SLO31541 Article in monograph: ARTICLE, LAMAST VOL 28, P 252,

Excavation archive: Inner London Archaeological Unit BLACK G. 14 BARTER ST SITE RECORDS, SITE CODE SLO31542

**BAR76**,

#### Location

#### Administrative Area

- [Borough] CAMDEN

#### Address

- 14 BARTER ST
- BLOOMSBURY

#### **Monument/Component Types**

NEGATIVE EVIDENCE (Unknown date)

#### **Find Types**

#### **Designations**

Type/Grade Reference/Title Description

#### **Other Statuses and References**

Reference/Title Type/Grade Sites & Monuments 082074/00/00

Record

Site Code BAR76

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