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Our Reference:

1EW02-CSJ-EV-CRO-S003-000006

Catherine Bond
Principal Planner (Conservation & Heritage)
5 Pancras Square
c/o Town Hall
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London WC1H 9JE

Dear Catherine,

**Re: Heritage Agreement Method Statement for the Dismantling and Storage of the Obelisk to Baron Southampton in St James's Gardens, Hampstead Road
1EW02-CSJ-HS-MST-S003-000153**

Please find attached the Heritage Agreement Method Statement for the Dismantling and Storage of the Obelisk to Baron Southampton in St James's Gardens, Hampstead Road, for your attention. This method statement is being submitted to the London Borough of Camden for approval and to Historic England and the relevant National Amenity Societies for consultation in accordance with the HS2 Heritage Agreement with London Borough of Camden and Historic England.

The Obelisk to Baron Southampton in St James's Gardens is identified in Table 1 of Schedule 18 ('Listed Buildings') to the High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Act 2017 (the Act) to enable the Grade II listed monument to be dismantled and stored as part of the authorised works.

HS2 Ltd entered into a Heritage Agreement with London Borough of Camden and Historic England dated 5th May 2017 that requires HS2 Ltd to submit method statement(s) concerning the dismantling, storage and re-erection of the Obelisk to Baron Southampton to London Borough of Camden for approval. The Heritage Agreement also requires HS2 Ltd to submit the method statement(s) to Historic England and the relevant Amenity Societies (the Ancient Monuments Society, the Georgian Group, the Victorian Society, the Council for British Archaeology and the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings) at the same time for consultation.



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Part 2 of the applicable schedule to the Heritage Agreement (Schedule 1B) sets out requirements for the content of the method statement(s) that must be submitted for approval. This method statement submission covers Part 2 items 2(a) how monument is to be dismantled and 2(b) how component parts of the monument are to be protected, transported and stored. A further method statement document will be submitted subsequently to address the remaining items: 2(c) the process for the identification of an appropriate site for re-erection, and 2(d) the process for re-assembly of the component parts during re-erection of the monument.

Under the terms of the Heritage Agreement:

- The local authority must provide a decision in writing to HS2 Ltd within 8 weeks of the date of submission of this method statement
- Historic England and the relevant National Amenity Societies have 6 weeks from the date of submission to provide comments to the local authority or indicate that they do not intend to comment, after which point the local authority can approve the submission whether or not comments have been received

In accordance with the timeframes specified within the agreement, please provide a decision in writing regarding the Heritage Agreement Method Statement for the Dismantling and Storage of the Obelisk to Baron Southampton in St James's Gardens, Hampstead Road to Historic_Environment@hs2.org.uk by **25th September 2018**.

Yours Sincerely,

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