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Dear Sir/Madam,

## <u>Proposed works to modify parapets of rail bridge at Granby Terrace/Hampstead Rd:</u> <u>Request for Prior Approval under Part 18 of the General Permitted Development Order</u>

I am writing to notify you of Network Rail's intention to undertake work to modify the parapets of the rail bridge at Granby Terrace/Hampstead Rd. The works are required in order to reduce risk of trespass onto the railway. The works will involve the removal of the existing rotor spikes and the installation of a series of GRP panels to raise the height of the existing bridge parapets to 1.8m.

From a town planning perspective the works at the bridge are permitted development Part 18, Class A (Miscellaneous development - development under local or private Acts or Order) of the Town and County Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015. This section of railway was authorised by the London and Birmingham Railway Act 1833. This Act incorporates powers for the then railway companies and their successors in title (now Network Rail) to undertake future works, not limited to the construction of the railway, but including 'all other acts necessary for making, maintaining, altering or repairing and using the railway'.

Under condition A1 of Part 18, it is necessary for details to be submitted to the LPA for prior approval to the design and siting of the proposed works. It should be noted however, that under Condition A2, the prior approval cannot be refused unless you are satisfied that the development ought to be and could reasonably be carried out elsewhere on the land, or the design or external appearance would injure the amenity of the neighbourhood and is

reasonable capable of modification so as to avoid such injury. I have submitted a site location plan and drawings detailing the extent of the works proposed.

As required under Part 18, I would be grateful to receive the Council's prior approval for the works to the structure. If you wish to discuss the proposals or require further information please do not hesitate to contact me. Please note that under the provisions of paragraph 7(b) of the Town and County Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015, the Prior Approval application should be determined within a period of 8 weeks beginning with the day immediately following that on which the application is received by the authority.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Gradwell Town Planner