

From: Matthew White [MatthewWhite@crossrail.co.uk]

Sent: 07 November 2012 12:50

To: 'Eric & Thelma'

Cc: John Goldsmith

Subject: RE: West Ealing Crossrail

Dear Mr Leach

Many apologies for not replying sooner, there is only myself to blame for that; and thank you for your e-mail regarding the designs for West Ealing Station in the light of you noticing that the invitations to tender for construction have been issued.

As you may know, the Crossrail Act 2008 grants deemed planning permission for Crossrail but, under Schedule 7 to the Act, details known as plans and specifications need to be submitted for approval by the Council. Crossrail is required to follow these processes, and once the submission is made to the Local Authority they will be free to carry out a community consultation exercise. At the request of the Council, Crossrail will also send copies of the submission to groups that they identify. We will make plans now to include WECNF in this process.

The plans for West Ealing station are still in the process of development and Crossrail, very much in conjunction with Network Rail, is working with Ealing Council to ensure that the Council is fully sighted on the design as it develops. No final design has yet been decided upon; however, once any planning submission is made to the Local Authority they will be free to carry out a public consultation exercise and you may make any representations. A period of eight weeks is allowed between submission and determination by the Council, which, from our experience within Central London, has proved to be ample time for the Council to make the plans publicly available and to receive comments. We are continuing to engage with the Council to address and respond to comments before plans are submitted for wider consideration.

I can assure you that the procurement process will not impinge on the time required for the plans to be considered within the Council process and for time to be given to respond to comments. The procurement process itself takes a significant amount of time and the invitations to tender are being issued now to enable contractors to start to commercially assess the scale and complexity of the work required at the 13 stations west of Paddington. No work would be undertaken without the Council's consent to the design.

I hope this clarifies the process which we are following. If you have any further queries can I suggest that you either relay them through the Council or direct to John Goldsmith at Crossrail as this will enable us to provide you with a more speedy response in the future.

Yours sincerely,

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From: Eric & Thelma [mailto:eric@leachet.demon.co.uk]

Sent: 06 November 2012 08:05

To: Matthew White

Subject: RE: West Ealing Crossrail

Dear Mr White,

Not replying to my not unreasonable email is a poor option for you to have selected.

Will French - representing the Central Ealing Neighbourhood Forum – tells me he had a useful, recent meeting with you at Paddington Station recently. Although you didn't reveal to him the current Crossrail plans for Ealing Broadway Station at least you had the courtesy to meet with him. On behalf of the Interim WECNF, West Ealing Neighbours and the 32,000 residents in West Ealing please emgae with us on the proposed West Ealing Crossrail Station

Thank you.

Eric Leach

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From: Eric & Thelma [<mailto:eric@leachet.demon.co.uk>]

Sent: 12 October 2012 14:49

To: Matthew White (MatthewWhite@crossrail.co.uk)

Subject: West Ealing Crossrail

Dear Mr. White,

I am Chair of the Interim West Ealing Centre Neighbourhood Forum (WECNF). WECNF has applied to Ealing Council be recognised as a Neighbourhood Forum as described in the 2011 Localism Act. Neighbourhood Forums develop Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDPs), which are spatial plans defining how a neighbourhood might change or stay the same. Once approved by Government these NDPs have the force of law as the plan for that neighbourhood. The forum is made up of stakeholder representatives of those who live and work in the centre of West Ealing. More info at www.wecnf.wordpress.com

The interim WECNF is six months old but its progenitor organisation, West Ealing Neighbours (WEN) (www.westealingneighbours.org.uk) is almost seven years old.

WECNF and WEN have been very interested in West Ealing Crossrail ever since early plans were released in 2007. We have seen little of any new plans since then. We have waited, and waited in vain now for over a year now for GRIP 4 plans to emerge. We have heard recently that even before local passengers and local stakeholders had seen the latest plans for West Ealing Crossrail, invitations to tender for construction appear to have been sent out by Crossrail. This appears on the face of it to be a complete abuse of process.

I would appreciate being sent the latest copies of the proposed designs for West Ealing Crossrail and for you to agree to an early meeting with Crossrail, ideally in the centre of West Ealing, to discuss just what is going on here.

Thank you.

Regards,

Eric Leach

Chair, Interim WECNF

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