

Planning Consultative Committee

Shane Baker,
Development Control,
London Borough of Hounslow

By email.

April 20 2017
Ref: BCC 788 **REVISED DRAFT**

Dear Shane,

Planning Application: Kew Bridge Station Quarter. Ref: P/2017/1203

The Brentford Community Council has considered this application and they have asked me to write to you.

We would like to recommend that the scheme be given approval if it is amended to provide a permanent stepless access, suitable for disabled people, from Kew Bridge Road to the west bound platform at Kew Bridge Station.

In the Officer's report on the Brentford Community Stadium application, which now has full planning consent, you identified that nearly 3,000 spectators would travel to the stadium by Kew Bridge Station. All these people would leave the stadium by the tunnel under Lionel Road and the east bound platform. Half would then cross the track by the narrow footbridge leading to the steps down to the western platform.

You noted that 171 wheelchair spaces are to be provided in the stadium and that a further 252 spaces would be needed for those with ambulant difficulties. A proportion of the spectators using Kew Bridge Station will be disabled.

It is understood that after comments by the GLA the club has now appointed an Accessibility Consultant and that his report is awaited.

It is also noted that (at para 9.575 of the officer's report) you stated that the club could not afford to complete a disabled access route to the west bound platform.

The Kew Bridge Station Quarter site gives a unique opportunity to ensure that that part of the disabled route from the stadium to the west bound platform can be secured. Such a route would also improve the access to the station for other passengers.

We also note that 10% of the 910 flats to be built around the stadium should be designed so they were suitable for disabled people. These residents and others close to the station would also benefit from this provision.

We request that a permanent stepless access from Kew Bridge Road to the west bound platform at Kew Bridge Station is provided before the residential accommodation is occupied.

Yours sincerely

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Chairman, Planning Consultative Committee
Brentford Community Council

cc Barnaby Collins and Robert Allen, (DP9).
Cllr Mel Collins
Keith Garner. (Kew Gardens)
Stephen Browne (BCC web site).