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Our ref: TP/LNE/2025-073

Dear Matthias,

**Discharge of Condition 12 to Planning Permission 2021/62/93311/E – erection of new footbridge, ramps and stairs (within a conservation area) at Rutland Road/Howley Lane, Batley – Planning Portal reference PP-14071381**

Please find enclosed a complete set of application forms and a document concerning a request for the discharge of condition 12 of the above planning permission, granted originally on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

Condition 12 states:

12.

*a) Prior to the closure of Lady Anne Level Crossing, a Crime Survey shall be conducted. The Crime Survey of Lady Anne Level Crossing shall provide the baseline for comparison of a Crime Impact Assessment (CIA) as set out in part (b) of the condition.*

*b) One calendar year following the completion and use of the footbridge and its footpath by the public, a Crime Impact Assessment (CIA) of the development hereby approved shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The CIA shall review the impact of the development on crime within the redline boundary of the permission and across the following residential streets:*

- Rutland Road;*
- Stoney Lane;*
- Howley Street, and;*
- Primrose Hill*

*The findings of the CIA shall identify whether a reduction or an uplift in criminal behaviour has occurred as a result of the development and, if an uplift is found to have occurred that is attributable to the development, the CIA shall identify the severity of the increase alongside appropriate mitigation measures to target and reduce relevant criminal activity.*

*The identified mitigation shall be implemented within three calendar months of the CIA's submission to the Local Planning Authority.*

Please find enclosed the following:

A statistical excel spreadsheet outlining the reported incidents of crime in the vicinity of the bridge.

The information is taken from the West Yorkshire Police's own crime information maps and information from the British Transport Police. Two time periods have been recorded; the first covers a period of 21 months from February 2021 to October 2022; as the bridge did not open to pedestrians until the end of June 2023, the corresponding 21-month period to record statistics after opening runs for another 21-month period, but this time from July 2023 to March 2025.

A total of 19 reported crimes were recorded between February 2021 and October 2022; in the period July 2023 to March 2025 a total of 12 crimes were recorded. None of the recorded crime after July 2023 took place at or near the bridge and there were only two incidents of anti-social behaviour, both on Howley Street. This is the same number as the period February 2021 to October 2022, again with two incidents on Howley Street. Therefore, there is no basis to suggest the construction of the bridge has led to an increase in recorded crime. We therefore request that the condition is discharged.

Please let me know if you require any further information. I look forward to receiving confirmation that the application has been validated.

Yours Sincerely,

**Tony Rivero**  
**Town Planning & Heritage Manager Eastern (North)**