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Dear Resident/Stakeholder,

Re: Public Access to Cathedral Square

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Further to our Parks and Open Spaces Manager's correspondence below and responses to that, including the informal meeting with residents on 27th February, I have decided to extend the deadline for comments for your comments to 10 April. This will allow those who have understandably expressed concerns about the short time-frame previously given for responses more time to provide comments.

Officers will collate the responses immediately once the 10 April 2014 deadline expires, in order to draft the IDM report for Cabinet Member decision. However, because of legislation that local government has to adhere by in the period leading up to as well as during an election period, any decision whether to leave unchanged or gate Cathedral Square will be not be able to be taken until June, after the Council and European Elections on 22nd May.

I am sorry this may mean a further period of uncertainty for you, but given the importance of the issue and the strength of feeling that resident stakeholders have already expressed, it is important that the Council is seen to be following a transparent, fair and genuinely engaged process.

Please write or email you comments to:

Post: Rebecca Towers, Parks and Open Spaces Manager, Southwark Council, PO Box 64529, London, SE1P 5LX

Email: rebecca.towers@southwark.gov.uk

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barrie Hargrove".

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