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Councillor Barrie Hargrove Cabinet Member for Transport, Environment & Recycling Cabinet Suite Southwark Council PO Box 64529 London SE1P 5LX

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Dear Councillor Hargrove,

Re: Cathedral Square

This letter is in response to recent discussions and proposals submitted to Southwark Council regarding the open space and public access at Cathedral Square.

Borough Market is not in favour of fencing off the public access as proposed.

We feel it may not be the best solution for the area, as we are not convinced that all avenues have been explored, such as policing the area with wardens and local security. Fencing may create its own anti-social issues.

We also believe it is important that the public can enjoy the views of the Thames at night.

Our understanding is that no complaints have been logged with the police recently concerning this particular area, so the proposed action is not justified.

Borough Market is committed to serving as a market for the public benefit, and as an area of public amenity. Likewise we would wish all public spaces within the Borough of Southwark to be preserved.

Yours sincerely

Keith Davis Managing Director

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cc. Rebecca Towers, Parks & Open Spaces Manager, Southwark Council

