TECHNICAL APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY STRUCTURES EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. General Requirements

All structures supporting or spanning the public highway require technical approval in accordance with the "Technical Approval of Highway Structures" British Standards BD 2/05.

Westminster City Council is the Technical Approval Authority (TAA) and the scheme is administered on their behalf by:-

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Please contact the above address to discuss or receive advice on technical approval procedures.

Technical Approval applies to the design of all structures (including those privately owned) over, under or adjacent to the public highway. The term "design" shall include the assessment, strengthening, alteration or repair of existing structures.

The structural design and checking procedure shall be carried out by a Chartered Engineer familiar with highway structures, who will specify the proposed documents to be adopted.

The design of temporary structures and those containing departures from established standards and criteria will be classified as either Category 2 or 3.

Generally, all structures should be designed to BS5400 with highway loading in accordance with BD 37/01.

Please note that these procedures only grant approval under the Highways Act. Additional approvals may be required in accordance with all relevant legislation such as the Town and County Planning Act and the Building Regulations Act.

Should no return correspondence be received within **two months** of this letter, we shall close your current application and assume that you no longer have a requirement for Technical Approval on this occasion.