

Date: 29 September 2022

Reference for GLA 2030 Future Neighbourhoods Application – Letter of Support



To Whom It May Concern,

I write in my capacity as founder and director of Portobello Radio CIC in support of The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Council (RBKC) proposal for the Notting Dale Future Neighbourhoods 2030 application.

We strongly support this application have partnered with the Council to be part of the Climate Change Awareness and Education Programme by delivering a series of activities/projects such as:

1. Environmental Discussion Radio and Podcasts
2. Notting Dale Green Consumer Magazine Show

The main objectives of our initiatives are a communications programme to engage the community in the quest for a greener, cleaner city.

Portobello Radio CIC is the community radio station for North Kensington. Since 2015, it has served the diverse population around Grenfell Tower, with a diet of talk, news and music that provides a focal point for this multicultural audience. Portobello Radio is a conduit for people & groups to connect.

We have been working with the Council for a number of years, hosting the deputy leader on a regular basis during COVID, broadcasting from the ArtBus during Kensington & Chelsea Art Work, and supporting countless local initiatives on the ground. We have recently completed the audio book of the Grenfell Memorial Commission's Report, have made live radio shows with 150 children from local primary schools, and collaborated on numerous community art projects. We also work closely with the Resident Associations at Silchester and Lanc West, the Westway Trust, Notting Hill Carnival and social enterprises like Kids on the Green and Maxilla City.

So far, we have made 359 editions of our weekly chat show, featuring many of the unheard voices of North Kensington alongside local 'celebrities' and community leaders. We have completed training with two young people who have both found work in the sound industry.

Through this letter, we acknowledge specific roles and responsibilities we will fulfil in this partnership.

We are currently exploring match funding to support the delivery of these projects.
Yours sincerely,

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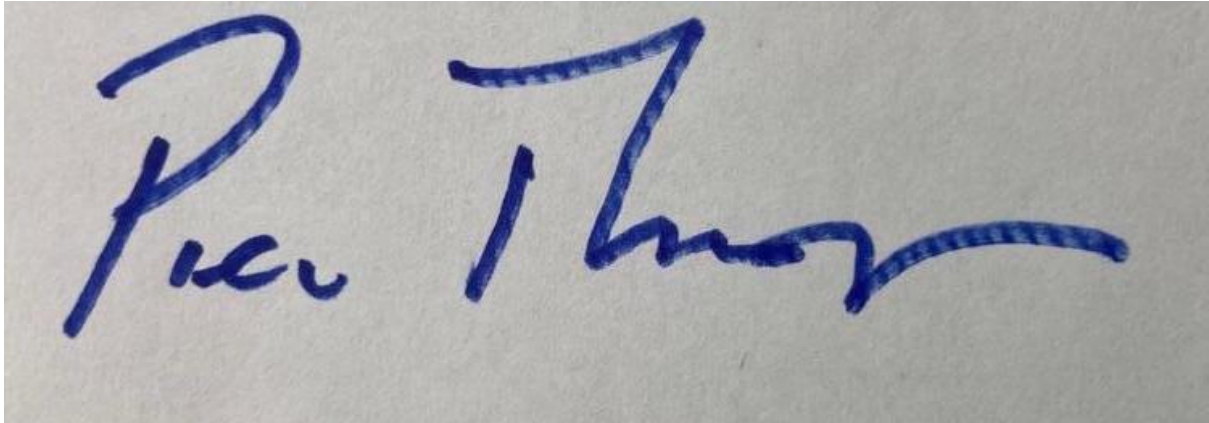
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I confirm all the above information is correct. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Signature:

A photograph of a handwritten signature in blue ink on a light-colored, textured paper. The signature is written in a cursive style and reads "Piers Thompson".