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**To:** Joanna Vincent  
**Subject:** RE: Twickenham Riverside Compulsory Purchase Order. Support. [GATELEY-GHAM.FID85841]

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**From:** Angela Kidner [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 15 May 2023 16:41  
**To:** Joanna Vincent <[Joanna.Vincent@gateleyhamer.com](mailto:Joanna.Vincent@gateleyhamer.com)>  
**Subject:** Twickenham Riverside Compulsory Purchase Order. Support.

Dear Joanna Vincent

I am writing to support the case for compulsory purchase of the site known as the 'Jubilee Gardens' and I hope you will consider these views.

We have been residents of the Borough since 1977 and have witnessed the many successive attempts to find a resolution for the necessary improvements to this important riverside site. Indeed I have been closely involved as manager of a community proposal for a previous scheme, an educational River Centre, so I have several years' experience of the strength of feeling that this site generates, and the need for political and community support..

The current development scheme has been an exemplar of good consultation by the Council, leading to a well-run architectural competition, with the result being the choice of the majority of residents. The project should now be on site and building, were it not for the actions of the Twickenham Riverside Trust (a misnomer since its area of responsibility is the Jubilee Gardens site). This group, which was vested with the task of maintaining the Jubilee Gardens- and which began its work with some success- has been subverted by the present Trustees who have abandoned the responsibilities they signed up for. Originally in support of the proposed development, the Trust has performed a volte face, ejected former moderate Trustees and focused only on building a case against the development.

The statement by the three ward councillors speaks more eloquently than I can on the case for upholding this compulsory purchase - a ludicrous step since the site belongs to the Council and to us the Borough's residents!  
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I object very strongly to the Council's resources being wasted on fighting this spurious case when there are so many demands on them, and would like if possible to see the costs awarded against the Twickenham Riverside Trust.

Yours sincerely

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