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Dear John

Proposed Move of the Museum of London to Smithfield General Market, etc

Thank you for your letter of 15th June.

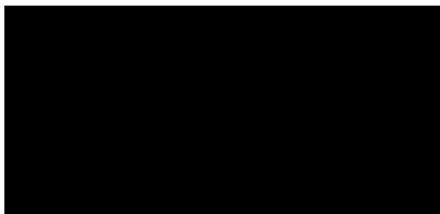
I am profoundly disappointed that there has been no attempt on behalf of the City of London to discuss or consult with the Association on this matter before now. The City of London has an obligation to provide a Market at Smithfield. All the planning to date appears to have taken place with very little thought or attention given to the operations of the Market, which is a substantial employer in the City and the provider of a necessary service to many businesses located in the City and Greater London.

Whilst we remain of the view that the buildings could still best be used for market purposes, we would consider other uses, such as the museum, if such use can be proven to support rather than detract from the running of Smithfield Market. As a precondition of any move to support the project, we would insist on the tunnel lids being repaired, a matter which should have been addressed before now. There would also need to be recognition and agreement for a funding stream from the museum to assist in supporting the Market.

Having seen the design concepts, it appears that the museum has been given free rein as regards West Poultry Avenue. This is unacceptable as the Market will continue to require full access to West Poultry Avenue for deliveries and collections to the Poultry Market, including the north and south service ways. This is just one of our many concerns.

I suggest that a meeting be arranged between Association representatives and those responsible at the City for the decision making on this project as soon as possible, so that we can ensure that the Market has the correct, and accurate, input to planning to enable it to continue to operate efficiently and successfully. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely



Greg Lawrence
Chairman