

Case Study: Crossrail: Hayes & Harlington Station

A new platform extension was planned for Hayes & Harlington Station, as part of Crossrail works, in London. A Cultural Heritage Environmental Statement (ES) was necessary to ensure the project completed successfully without delays and additional costs due to archaeological risks.

AB Heritage was commissioned by Tata Steel to manage the recommendations of the ES by providing a Schedule of Requirements for Further Research in relation to the proposed development of Hayes and Harlington Station, in the London Borough of Hillingdon.

The main development proposed comprised the construction of a new platform extension for the station. The cultural heritage work carried out by AB Heritage involved a full review of the Cultural Heritage ES and emerging design works, examination of existing geotechnical data and an update of select archaeological baseline information. It also included a reassessment of the previous impact assessment and development of future archaeological mitigation, where appropriate.

This process was undertaken as part of the Crossrail works and AB Heritage concluded that there was, at most, a low potential for the recovery of all forms of archaeological deposits and that any features identified would most likely be of low heritage significance.

“Given that the proposed intrusive groundworks associated with development were very limited, we recommended that no further archaeological investigation or mitigation works were required,” says AB Heritage. “We worked with the archaeological advisor for Network Rail to discuss and gain approval of our strategy, on behalf of our client. As a result heritage was closed out as a material consideration for this station and the project could go ahead with no further delay or risk of increased costs.”



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Key Factors

- **AB Heritage reviewed the Cultural Heritage Environmental Statement, undertook a range of desk-top works and produced a Schedule of Requirements for Further Research covering proposed development at Hayes and Harlington Station as part of the Crossrail works.**
- **AB Heritage demonstrated that there was little to no potential of impacting archaeological remains and, where such deposits survived, they were likely to be of low value.**
- **AB Heritage Limited recommended that no further archaeological works were required as part of the station upgrade, gaining approval for this strategy, on behalf of our client, from the Network Rail archaeological advisor.**

Client:

Tata Steel

Location:

London Borough of Hillingdon

AB Heritage Input:

Cultural Heritage Schedule of Requirements for Further Research Works

Date of AB Heritage Works:

February 2011 – April 2011

