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Dear Simon,

Thank you for your response to me in today's departmental questions in which you agreed to my ask of an urgent meeting to discuss Hammersmith Bridge.

I would be grateful if a meeting could be set for either online or in-person prior to the deadline date for bids to the Structures Fund, 3<sup>rd</sup> August.

In your response today, you stated that Hammersmith and Fulham are welcome to submit a bid for repairs to Hammersmith Bridge to the Structures Fund.

However, in your letter to me yesterday, you reiterated that the government would not consider bids in which the repairs would not be completed by April 2030.

I would be grateful for clarity regarding this matter, as there are no proposals on the table which would see the full repairs to Hammersmith Bridge completed by 2030.

Could I also please request that the invite to the meeting is extended to the Leader of Richmond Council and the Leader of Hammersmith and Fulham Council?

I look forward to hearing back from you.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Olney  
Member of Parliament for Richmond Park