Transforming Falcon Road Bridge

Tales of Our Tracks - andre kong studio, Arup and Kanda

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Tales of Our Tracks: Transforming the Falcon Road Tunnel

Tales of Our Tracks is about journeys — where we come from, the paths we take, and the connections we make. This project will transform the Falcon Road tunnel from a neglected passage into a vibrant community gallery of stories, linking the two unique and lively sides of Battersea. For years, the tunnel has been dark, dripping, and unfriendly, reinforcing division instead of unity. Above it, Clapham Junction station thrives as one of Europe's busiest rail hubs, full of movement and life. Beneath those tracks, we'll capture that energy to make the tunnel a safe, bright, and welcoming space.

Our design honours the tunnel's history. We'll reveal and repaint the original riveted steel beams and vaulted brick ceilings, celebrating Battersea's industrial past. We'll also give new life to old materials, repurposing steel train tracks from Network Rail's recycling centre to form curving support structures for colourful murals along the tunnel walls. These screens will shelter pedestrians from dripping water and concealed bird nets will eliminate pigeon issues.

A Safe, Bright Path for Everyone

Safety and comfort drive this transformation. Working with Arup's expert lighting team, we're using a layered lighting design to create a warm, well-lit environment. Subtle angled downlights will illuminate vibrant mural panels and pavements, while uplights onto the ceiling will create a general ambient light that will guide drivers safely through. Dynamic lights activated by passing trains will add movement, softly rippling through the tunnel creating an interactive space for everyone.

Celebrating Community Voices

Tales of Our Tracks will be the story of Battersea's community. Partnering with Katherine Low Settlement and local schools we will host workshops where local young people work with older generations to co-create stories of Battersea life; past, present and future. The stories will be styled, emphasised and embellished as text before being transformed into unique colourful patterns along tunnel walls.

The combined designs of words and colours will represent the community's diversity, Battersea's unique "DNA".

Durable Materials, Built to Last

Our materials are chosen for longevity and resilience. The Vitreous Enamel steel mural panels are durable, easy to clean, and maintain their vibrancy for decades, making them ideal for this high-traffic space.

A Legacy of Connection

Tales of Our Tracks brings together Battersea's history and future. It's more than a passage — it's a place that connects, celebrates and inspires, woven with the voices and stories of those who call Battersea home.





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