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Dear Sir or Madam

Stroud District Local Plan Review: Draft Local Plan

Thank you for consulting us on the Draft Stroud District Local Plan. I would like to reiterate the comments I sent to you on the 18/1/19 (see attached).

In this regard there does not seem to be any information within the plan which informs that an assessment and provision for any required mitigation will be needed for the level crossings identified to you.

I see that there are instances whereby there has been opportunities listed for walking and cycling over the public rights of way, which go over a level crossing. This will exasperate the problem if no mitigation is provided; See example below.

Sharpness Vale: natural neighbourhoods



We would expect that any policy specific to a site allocation (sites as listed in my email dated 18/1/19) should include wording to give detail of the level crossing and require mitigation as part of the development.

We support the provision of improved rail facilities at Stroud, Cam and Dursley railway stations. I see from the Sharpness Vale: natural neighbourhoods plan that you are looking to re-open the rail line at Sharpness to passengers and build a new station. It should be noted that whilst Network Rail is happy to work with the Council and developer to progress this, until the various feesability studies have taken place, including how this would fit within the timetable we can not guarentee this would be plausable. Should the provision of this service and station be feesable this would be subject to third party funding. This would also apply to other proposed stations along the Bristol-Birmingham main line and the re-opening of Charfield station.

We trust these comments will be considered in your progression of this plan.



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