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Dear Mrs Colclough,

I write in response to Central Bedfordshire Council's objection dated 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018 and Proof of Evidence dated 9<sup>th</sup> January 2019 in respect of the proposed Network Rail (East West Rail Bedford to Bicester Improvements) Order (the "Order").

Should the Order scheme to close and divert Lidlington School Crossing be approved as proposed in its current form Network Rail undertakes to implement a package of walking route improvement measures (as per the plan attached) prior to closure of the crossing.

This undertaking is given on the basis that it is sufficient for Central Bedfordshire Council to withdraw this element of its objection to the scheme and in consideration of Central Bedfordshire Council affording Network Rail the right to construct a proportion of the walking route improvements on land within the existing highway curtilage.

Yours sincerely,

Colin Murphy

For and on behalf of Network Rail Limited

## Plan 2: Proposed Lidlington School Crossing walking route improvements

