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By e-mail

Ref: OBJ/247

Dear Mr Wright,

I write in response to the objection (ref: OBJ/247) made on behalf of Shaun Neil McBride and Kevin Daniel McBride and your further correspondence dated 16 April 2019 in respect of the proposed Network Rail (East West Rail Bicester to Bedford Improvements) Order (the "Order").

Network Rail has reviewed your objection which relates to the new Public Right of Way (PRoW) proposed under the Order (shown on Sheets 51 and 52 of the East West Rail NR14 Deposited Plans and Sections and Rights of Way Plans) being incompatible with the consented use.

The proposed PRoW has been discussed and consulted upon with the local planning authority, Central Bedfordshire Council and it has been concluded that the intended diversion is acceptable in conjunction with the current use. Furthermore, Network Rail confirms that:

- Footpaths will be 'unmade', where they are not designated as bridleways, i.e. existing gravel, grass, etc. surfaces will be retained;
- Footpaths will be two meters wide, where practical; and
- Footpaths may share space with a vehicle track, as is proposed on all accommodation bridges within the Order that have PRoW diverted onto them – as is commonly accepted practice.

Our land agents, Bruton Knowles, will be in touch regarding the compensation to which you will be entitled as a result of works carried out under the Order.

On the basis of the above, and if you feel that the points raised in your objection have been addressed, please would you withdraw your objection by notifying the Transport and Works Act Orders Unit and quoting objection ref OBJ/247? The Unit's contact details are below:

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General Counsel's Office
Department for Transport
Zone 1/18, Great Minister House
33 Horseferry Road
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Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Moeng', written in a cursive style.

Sophie Moeng
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For and on behalf of Network Rail