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From: Sarah Mason <...>
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To: TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT
Subject: Network Rail East West Rail TWA Order

Secretary of State for Transport,

Please accept this correspondence by way of objection to the application for an order to be made under the Transport and Works Act 1992 by Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd in relation to East West Rail Bicester to Bedford Improvements.

My objections are such:

- The pedestrian crossing between Cranfield Road and the recreation ground is heavily utilised by pedestrians as this is the main route to a lower and middle school, local shops etc. Network Rail intend to close the pedestrian crossing proposing locals, including groups of children, cross a main road with no crossing facilities, no pavement to one side of the road, next to moving traffic. Initially Network Rails scope of works included a footbridge which has subsequently been scrapped.
- Information regarding the change of scope was released 3 days after local schools closed and our objection period ends 2 days after the school term commences, meaning that the amount of 'passers by' to witness/review the information was greatly diminished as were the chance of objection.

There is no reference made to a permanent pedestrian solution once the platform extensions are complete and the temporary walkway can no longer be used. The proposal in the first consultation was for a ramped footbridge however this has now been removed from scope. How will local residents be able to access local shops, doctors, dentists and schools?

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