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**From:** Tracey Viner < >  
**Sent:** 04 September 2018 09:34  
**To:** TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT  
**Subject:** Network Rail East West Rail TWA Order - objections re Woburn Sands & Aspley Guise

Dear 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:

- 1) 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. Reinstate the footbridge with immediate effect before a child loses their life.
- 2) 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. Not acceptable.
- 3) permanent Closure of Aspley Guise Level Crossing & Woburn Sands level crossing via car, the only access to Kingston etc will be via the new A421 bypass which is always heavily congested. Not acceptable at all. Also a great concern about emergency vehicle access. 20 or so extra minutes MINIMUM to reach Asplands surgery or Aspley Guise / back of Woburn Sands from MK is not acceptable. Do we have to wait for someone to die because the emergency vehicle couldn't reach them in time ? Closure of Woburn Sands level crossing needs to be stopped. Our community will die as well as potentially some of our residence as a direct result of these actions.

Yours faithfully

Tracey Spencer  
Aspley Guise

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