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To: TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT
Subject: Network Rail East West Rail TWA Order

I strongly object to the application for an order to be made under the Transport and Works Act 1992 by Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd in relation to the East-West Rail link Bicester to Bedford Improvements near Woburn Sands.

The promise of a footbridge off Cranfield Road, Woburn Sands has been rescinded in the latest proposals. Surely the reason cannot be on the grounds of cost as this amount would be very small in relation to the total cost of the whole East-West Rail Link proposal!

Any reason under consideration should take second place to the protection of our children and the many other users of the existing crossing for pedestrians. A footbridge would be the only safe way to ensure this. The newest proposal of pedestrians using Station Road is unbelievable because it is an incredibly dangerous crossing eg there is no pavement at the crossing and also a large volume of traffic is on the move very quickly after the crossing gates are opened.

The proposal notices, I understand were displayed in small print ONLY on lampposts. As a local resident, I was unaware of these notices until today when I was told by another local resident. If these notices were displayed near the railway crossing they would not be read as few pedestrians use Station Road crossing. It is too dangerous. Notices at the pedestrian crossing off Cranfield Road would not be seen for most of summer as the school children and parents as this was on school holiday time. This seems so manipulative by Network Rail!

Yours faithfully
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Woburn Sands

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