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Subject: RE: Micklefield Railway Enhancement - Pre Inquiry Meeting Agenda and pre note

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# Stephen

Thank you for sight of the Pre-Inquiry meeting details.

National Highways have been working with National Rail to address the concerns that prompted me to recommend protective provisions were attached to any grant of consent for the proposed Micklefield to Leeds traffic works order. As such, we have now reached an agreement with National Rail such that we are able to withdraw our previous recommendation and can offer no objection to the proposed works enhancement order.

I recently informed transport infrastructure at DfT of our new position so this may feedback to you through other channels is due course.

I trust our position is clear but please don't hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this matter further.

Kind regards

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