

Ref: The Network Rail (Essex and Others Level Crossing Reduction)  
Order (Obj/138)

Dear Mr A. Beckett,

my name is David Hedges of Home Farm, North Hall Rd, Quendon, Saffron Walden, Essex, CB11 3XP ( 07977728811). The closure of the level crossing E08- Henham I have no objection too, as it is dangerous to cross if you are not familiar to it as I am having used it for more than 30 years.

When (if) this closure happens Network Rail wish to impose a new footpath on my grazing land on the otherside of North Hall Rd, walkers have always used this road to walk along so I do not understand why they can not carry on doing so, they would just walk in the opposite direction to the underpass for Little Henham. If this level closure was not to happen the same walkers would still be walking along the same roadway.

Andrew Kenning (Network Rail) had a site meeting with us to discuss the proposed new footpath which I was not at all happy about, so after some discussion a new footpath route (an L shape) on my land was later devised (Replacement sheet 16, P106 to P104A to P104) which is a better solution ( out of the two) for my live stock and hedge maintenance.

So in summary, I would prefer not to have any footpath on my grazing land and the responsibility that it entails for myself and future generations of my family, but I believe the final decision is yours to make.

yours faithfully

David Hedges