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Subject: Confirmation from Natural England on S01 Sea Wall Level Crossing
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Hi Hannah,

I've had a look into this and can confirm that Natural England would not object to the footpath south of the level crossing (shown in blue in drawing *MMD-367516-S01-GEN-005*) remaining open. Whilst it passes close to the 'Factory Roost' which is one of the most important bird roosting sites on the Stour Estuary, closure of the level crossing and footpath section shown in blue to the north of the railway line will reduce recreational disturbance from current levels (i.e. preventing people accessing the area directly from turning right off byway 014). Furthermore, the proposed housing development at Brantham (B/15/00263/FUL) secured recreational disturbance mitigation as part of the scheme design based on the current access situation (i.e. with the whole blue section and level crossing remaining open).

We also welcome the inclusion of stock proof fencing (F7) along the new section of footpath (shown in red) which will prevent dogs accessing the reedbeds which contain species sensitive to disturbance.

All the best,

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Hi Louise,

Network Rail has requested an urgent response on the below matter:

A formal confirmation (email/letter) needs to be obtained from Natural England on what their position would be to a modification to the order to retain the current footpath up to the Network Rail boundary on the southern side of the railway, which is currently proposed to be extinguished. I.e. would they object, do they have any serious concerns?

The area in question is the footpath in blue at the south of the level crossing (in the drawing attached) **only**. The footpath in blue following the railway line on the left bank is **not** in question.

I would appreciate if you could send this across as soon as possible, I apologise for the quick turnaround.

Kind regards,

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