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BY EMAIL ONLY

Dear Sirs,

**Re: The Network Rail (Cambridgeshire Level Crossings Reduction) Order 2017
Cambridgeshire County Council Full Response**

I write with reference to The Network Rail (Cambridgeshire Level Crossings Reduction) Order 2017 ('the Order'), deposited on 14th March 2017.

Further to Cambridgeshire County Council's holding response to the above Order of 19th April 2017, the Council is now in a position to provide you with the its full response, having followed due procedure in accordance with s239 Local Government Act 1972 and s4.7 of the Department for Transport's *A Guide to TWA Procedures*.

Our response (attached) was approved on the 18th July at our Full Council meeting. Minutes of that meeting are also attached.

At that meeting, the Council also resolved to allow officers to continue negotiations with Network Rail, and delegated to the Executive Director - Economy, Transport & Environment (ETE) the authority to agree any changes to the Council's position prior to the public inquiry in consultation with the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Council's Highways and Community Infrastructure Service & Policy Committee ('HCI Committee').

Following requests from the County Ecologist and the County Senior Archaeologist, two changes to the Council's position were agreed on the 27th July 2017 through the above process. These have been included in the Council's full response at paragraphs 3.26 – 3.31.

The Council intends to send you an amended Statement of Case by the 11th August 2017. In the meantime, the Council's full response can be taken as its interim amended Statement of Case.

I would be grateful if you would kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter and the Council's full response.

Please could you also advise on the next steps, particularly the dates of the inquiry and any pre-inquiry meeting?

Yours sincerely,



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