C28 – Black Horse Drove

Dear Mrs Vincent and Ms O'Neil,

At the start of the public inquiry into the Network Rail (Cambridgeshire Level Crossing Reduction) Order 201X, the County Council advised that it was objecting to the C28 Black Horse Drove proposal due to its concern over the likely loss of access to land for owners and occupiers arising from the effect of the Order removing highway to the west of the crossing. It had written to identified landowners on the 27th November 2017 advising them of its concerns.

A solution has now been agreed with Network Rail for an additional clause to be inserted into the Order which preserves rights for owners and occupiers to the west of Black Horse Drove. The County Council is satisfied that this resolves its concerns and makes it clear as to what the effect will be.

The County Council therefore withdrew its objection on the 21st December 2017 in consideration of this clause being added into the Order. The County Council wrote to Network Rail on the same date advising them of the Council's position and attaching a plan showing the highway extent affected. A copy of the County Council's letter is attached for your reference.

The County Council also agreed, at Network Rail's request, to write to the identified landowners advising them of the position now pertaining. This has been sent today by recorded delivery. A copy of the letter sent to the identified landowners is attached for your reference.

The County Council will keep all these documents with its highway records as part of the audit trail in order to assist with future queries.

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