



From:
Bacton United '89 FC
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Re: Network Rail Suffolk Level Crossing Reduction Order, notice of application to temporarily use land to remove Bacton level crossing S69 – objection to notice.

Dear Sirs,

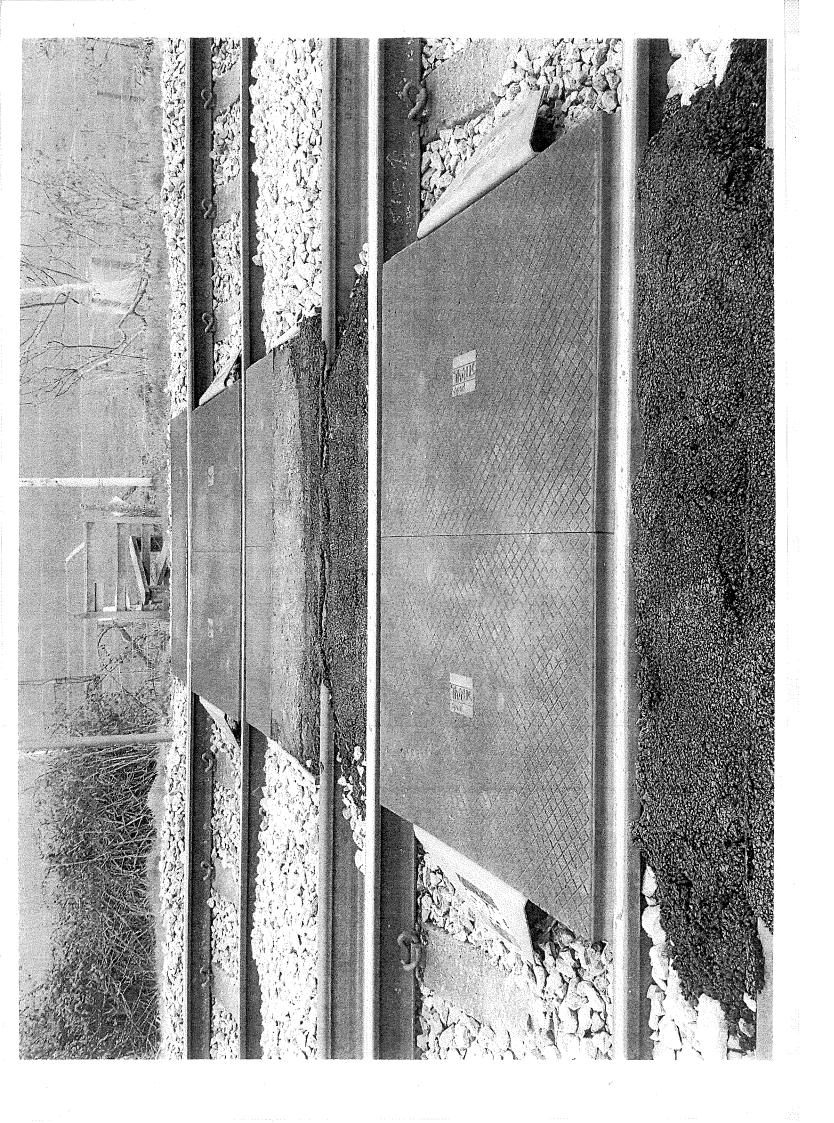
I am the treasurer and therefore an officer of Bacton United '89 Football Club and thereby empowered to raise this objection. Please send any correspondence to the above address.

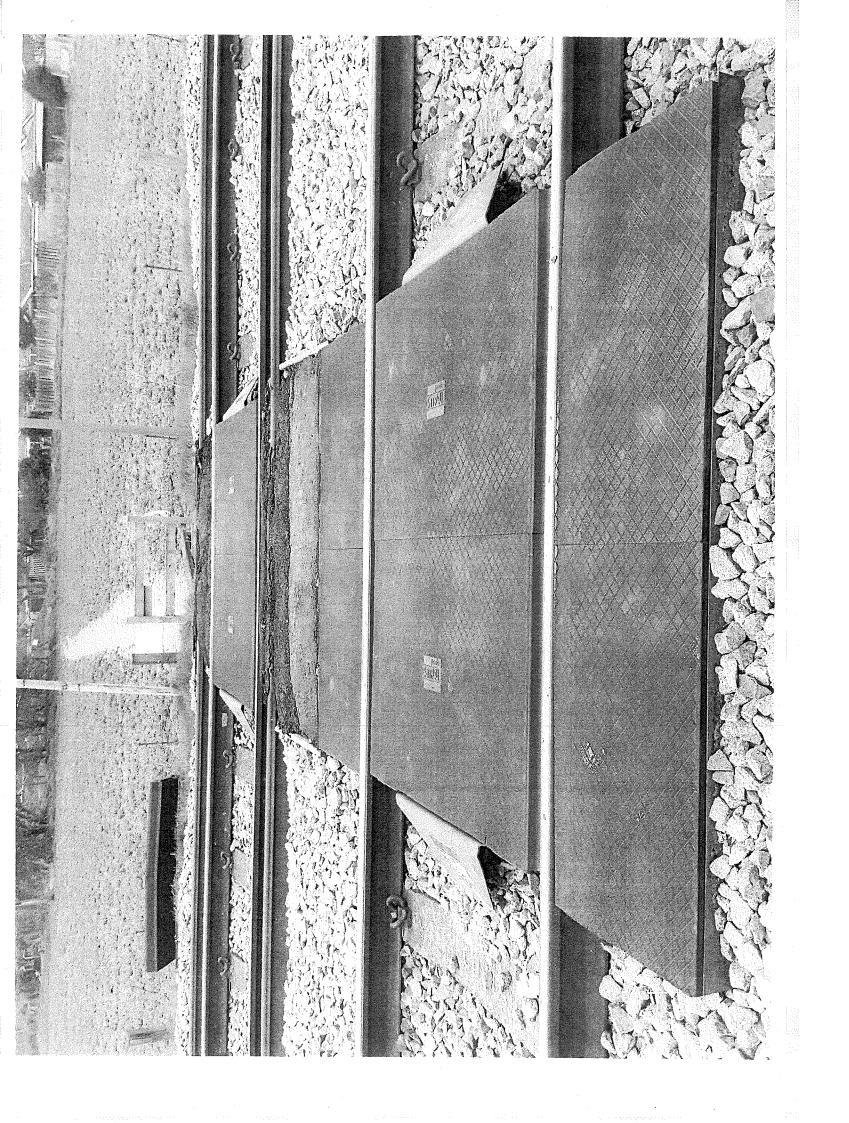
The crossing in question (S69) was upgraded within the last 2 or 3 years with rubberised raised platforms, I enclose two photographs of the crossing which hopefully demonstrate that it is relatively new. The work carried out to install this upgrade was done using an existing access point that I have highlighted in pink on the enclosed map in Pound Hill. In recent years there was also a major vegetation clearance carried out between S69 and Cow Green crossing in Bacton to the South, again this work was completed using existing access points. Indeed any works carried out by Network Rail on this stretch of track is carried out using the access points at Pound Hill and Cow Green.

Bacton United '89 Football Club are unable to understand how a crossing can be installed using existing access points, but to remove the same, Network Rail requires a temporary order to access our property. Bacton United '89 FC have grounds that are of a very high standard and won a prestigious national award from the English Football Association in 2016 for this. Another consideration for us is security. Local sports clubs in the area are a constant target for vandals and burglars; hence the property access is locked at all times when not in use at the points marked in blue on the enclosed map. Incidentally this also highlights an error in the land marked 20 on the map as the route currently shown (circled in black pen) would go over a raised bank planted with saplings as required by our planning permission.

In summary the basis of our objection is that this work, like all other carried out by Network Rail, can be achieved using existing access points. The temporary order is unnecessary. If, however, the work is carried out against our wishes by using access to our property we would like to know what guarantees are available to us that the property will be handed back to us in the same condition that it was handed over and that Network Rail will meet any costs of repair or renewal.

Martin Feavearyear Bacton United '89 Football Club, Hon Treasurer





Transport and Works Act 1992

The Network Rail (Suffolk Level Crossing Reduction) Order COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, DISTRICT OF MID SUFFOLK



