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Re: Network Rail and Others Level Crossing Reduction Order E02 Camps.

Dear Sir

I am writing to object to the proposed new footpath at E02 Camps and E03 Sadlers; Drawing No MMD-367516-E03-PIU-001.

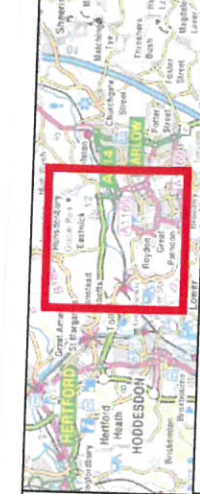
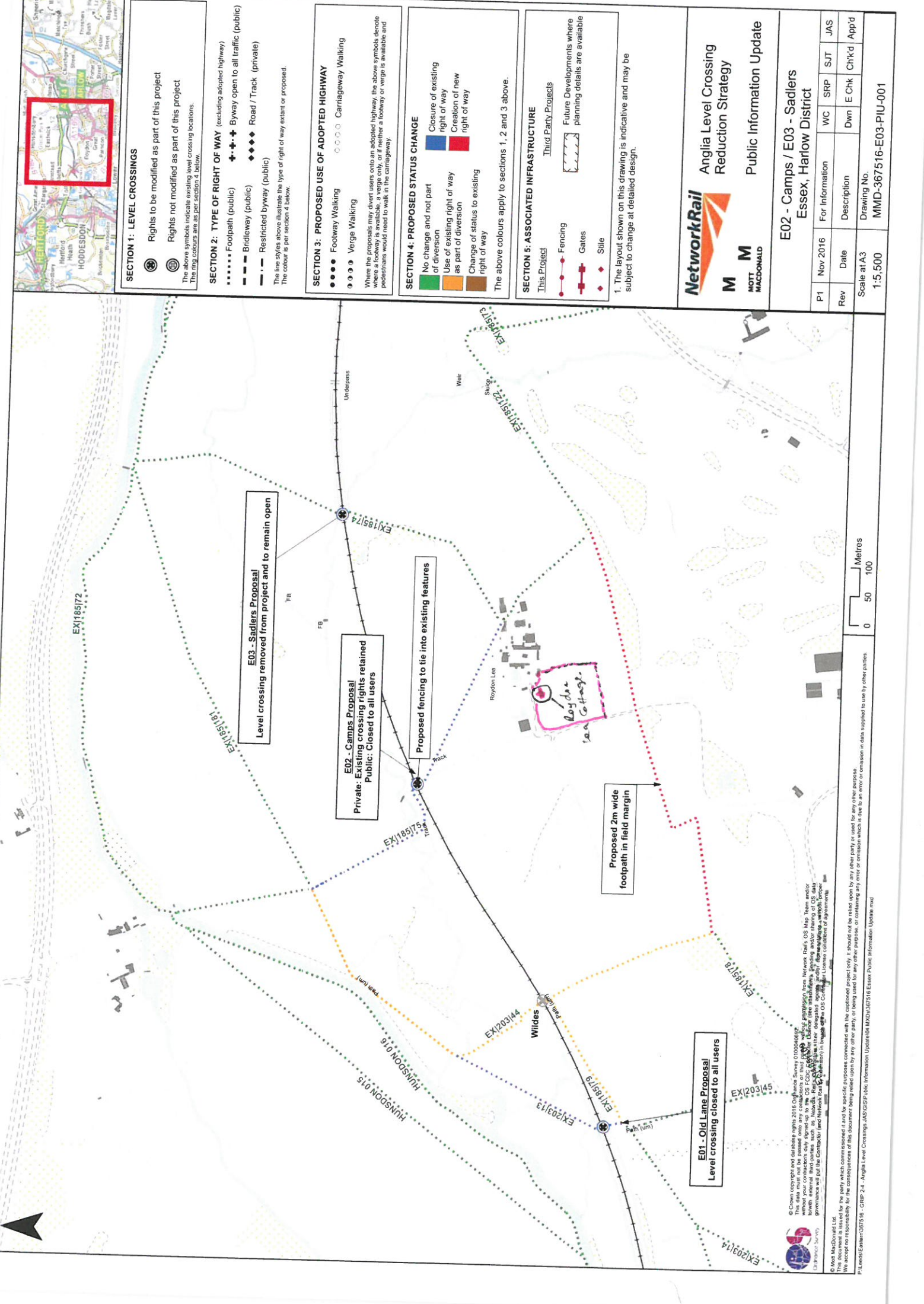
The proposed new route from existing footpath EX/185/78 east towards existing footpath EX/185/122 will pass within clear view of my house [REDACTED], garden and paddock, completely removing my privacy. At present my property is not overlooked by any other building, path or road, and this new footpath will devalue my property and depreciate my quality of life. The proposed footpath will run within a few yards of my paddock boundary (as shown in the included map) and I have serious concerns about people who would not otherwise have access interfering with and posing a danger to my animals, particularly those with dogs.

The lane that leads to Roydon Lea Farm is the only route of access to our property [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Roydon Lea Farm itself, and also a groundwork company dealing in crushed concrete, soil and aggregates. Therefore there is a lot of heavy traffic on this route, including farm traffic and numerous forty ton lorries. The proposed route of the footpath entails an unavoidable intersection with this road which in turn entails a high risk to walkers.

We very strongly object to the apparent disregard for the environmental impacts of this proposed route, which we do not feel have been taken into account. The destruction of orchids, hedgerows, and wildlife habitat may be of little consequence to network rail, but to the people who have looked after this land (in my family's case for almost 100 years) it is devastating. Footpath walkers never stay on the paths and have little regard for the damage and disruption this causes to other people's lives.

[REDACTED]  
Yours sincerely  
Mrs Susan Ciarke





**SECTION 1: LEVEL CROSSINGS**

Rights to be modified as part of this project

Rights not modified as part of this project

The above symbols indicate existing level crossing locations. The ring colours are as per section 4 below.

**SECTION 2: TYPE OF RIGHT OF WAY** (excluding adopted highway)

..... Footpath (public)    +---+ Byway open to all traffic (public)

--- Bridleway (public)    +---+ Road / Track (private)

--- Restricted byway (public)

The line styles above illustrate the type of right of way extant or proposed. The colour is per section 4 below.

**SECTION 3: PROPOSED USE OF ADOPTED HIGHWAY**

..... Footway Walking    ..... Carriageway Walking

..... Verge Walking

Where the proposals may divert users onto an adopted highway, the above symbols denote where a footway or verge only, or if neither a footway or verge is available and pedestrians would need to walk in the carriageway.

**SECTION 4: PROPOSED STATUS CHANGE**

No change and not part of diversion    Closure of existing right of way

Use of existing right of way as part of diversion    Creation of new right of way

Change of status to existing right of way

The above colours apply to sections 1, 2 and 3 above.

**SECTION 5: ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE**

This Project    Third Party Projects

Fencing    Gates    Silt

Future Developments where planning details are available

1. The layout shown on this drawing is indicative and may be subject to change at detailed design.

**NetworkRail**

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**MOTT MACDONALD**

Anglia Level Crossing Reduction Strategy

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## Level Crossing Proposals

### E11 – Windmills

#### Newport Parish

**Windmills** is one of the level crossings in the County of Essex. It is located in Newport District and has the postcode CM11 4JR. This is a stop, look and listen public footpath level crossing where the user has to decide whether it is safe to cross. The level crossing is protected by whistle boards. Whistle boards are only effective between the hours of 07:00 – 23:00; outside of these hours train drivers are not allowed to use their horns. The railway at this crossing carries passenger and freight trains with a line speed of 70 mph. There are generally 152 trains passing through this level crossing per day. A photo of the crossing is shown here.



**Public consultation** was held in September 2016 on the preferred option (at the time) for this level crossing. 8 questionnaire responses were received. Key themes include:

- Perceived concerns about walking on Rookery Lane
- Concerns that the diversion route is too long
- Comments that the diversion route on the western side which is aimed at omitting some of the road walking along Rookery Lane is unlikely to be used

**This flyer is to update you** on changes to our proposals as a result of the feedback received in September from the public and stakeholders for the Windmills level crossing.

**Our revised proposals are to** close Windmills level crossing to all users. Crossing infrastructure would be removed and fencing installed to prevent trespass onto the railway. The change from Round 2 consultation is the addition of a new 2m wide footpath running adjacent to the railway on the eastern side in Network Rail land, between Trees and Windmills level crossings. The new footpath would be constructed to an appropriate standard with new wayfinding signs with details to be discussed and agreed with the local authority. The new footpath would join up with the section of footpath EX/41/8 on the eastern side of the railway, which would no longer be extinguished. This would reduce the quantity of road walking. The proposed diversion route on the western side of the railway remains unchanged. An overview of the revised proposals is shown on the drawing overleaf.