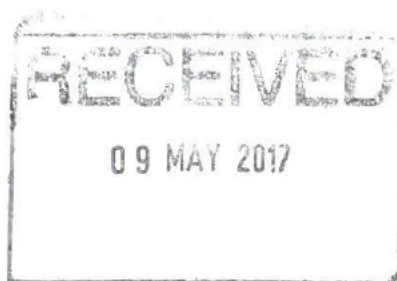
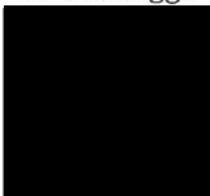


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Mr T.B.Griggs



4 May 2017

Dear Mr Grayling.

With reference to the foot crossing of the railway line in Paget Road, Wivenhoe.

I'm struggling to understand the purpose of public consultations in relation to the proposed closure of railway crossings.

It appears there is only one intended outcome of the closure proposal and that is closure! Organisations do not seem to be paying attention to a relatively small but significant group of residents.

I have lived in Wivenhoe for the last three years, the last two of which have been at my current address, [REDACTED] Wivenhoe which is to be closed.

Almost as soon as I arrived closure has been proposed and opposed by many of the residents.

The crossing provides easy access to a larger proportion of residents to local amenities close to the village centre and quay.

It is regularly used and has been safely for many years. Enabling people to park cars in more accessible and less congested parts of the village.

I myself use the crossing at least 2 times a day.

I have been told that my life will be made better by locomotives passing my property at greater speeds to save a few seconds for trains entering and leaving Wivenhoe station, a short distance away.

I reject this, trains traveling at greater speeds will create more noise and save little time.

Closure will make life more difficult for myself, other residents and visitors.

I urge you to oppose the closure, leaving the crossing open for the continuation of safe and convenient movement around the village of Wivenhoe.

Yours Sincerely.