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Dear Sir/Madam

**The Proposed Northumberland Line Order**

I am writing to express support for the application by Northumberland County Council for the above-mentioned Order.

My name is Tracy Harrison and I presently live on Moorside Estate and the current train line runs at the bottom of my garden, when I found out about this scheme I was overjoyed as to the potential of this scheme as are other residents.

Not only will this scheme bring long-awaited Transport to our community but the benefits of the plan for job purposes and travel is long overdue, not only will the whole community have a chance to reach out for new jobs in connecting towns but also there is the possibility to travel for outings, jobs, shopping, visitors, and the best possible outcome is to be able to leave cars and motorcycles at home and make use of this great opportunity and work towards a better planet while we have petrol cars.

Personally I would also love to be able to see into the future and think that my future grandchildren will greatly benefit from the scheme in their future and give them chances we didn't have for work opportunities and being able to commute to other towns without cars and such.

I will back this scheme like many others and say that we should now be looking to the future not only for ourselves but for our children and their future generation.

*[The improved connectivity provided by the Northumberland Line will bring social and economic benefits to residents, commuters, visitors and businesses both in Northumberland and the wider region. ]*

*[In particular, the scheme will:*

- improve access from towns such as Ashington and Blyth to employment hubs like Newcastle, as well as opening up new opportunities for education and travel;*
- provide a real incentive for potential employers to relocate to and invest in the area;*
- provide vital infrastructure to help deliver the region's aspirations for population and economic growth;*

- *help to attract visitors and improve local tourism;*
- *enhance public transport connectivity within and beyond the region;*
- *help to reduce congestion and improve air quality on key corridors by moving people away from car travel and onto public transport; and*
- *support the delivery of significant growth in sectors such as renewable energy, offshore oil and gas and engineering. ]*

*[The proposed Northumberland Line Order is vital to secure the delivery of the scheme and we hope the Secretary of State will make the Order to enable the scheme to go ahead as soon as possible. ]*

Yours faithfully

Tracy harrison