From:
To: West Midlands Interchange

Subject: Objection

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I object to the building of the West Midland Hub at its proposed site for the following reasons:

- 1. Why use the Green Belt? This will have a massive detrimental effect on the local Ecology.
- 2. There are plenty of nearby Brownfield lands. Take a trip from Wolverhampton to Birmingham where you will see vast sites of Industrial wasteland RIGHT NEXT TO THE RAILWAY LINE.
- 3. The local road infrastructure is not suited for an extra 15,000 cars per day.
- 4. Local employment is well below the national average and so the vast majority of employees will be commuting to and from the Hub. It makes more sense to build the Hub on the Brownfields between Wolverhampton and Birmingham where the unemployment rate is much higher.
- 5. I fear that the rail link will never be built because of lack of funding. At this moment in time there appears to be a real chance that the rail connection to the East Midlands Hub will never go ahead.

Yours Sincerely, Dr James Kettle