

The Planning Inspectorate

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Dear Sir / Madam

This scheme to create the West Midlands Interchange is completely inappropriate for the proposed rural location and is yet another attack on the Greenbelt land that has been used for the production of this countries food for decades. Look at the straight roads surrounding the site, they have been there since the Romans were here. Have all other options been exhausted or has this area been selected because it has a lower development cost than a brownfield site? I have been told that another site in the Stoke-on-Trent area is available and the people in the area want this development.

This is not a rail hub it is a road/rail hub with an estimated eighteen thousand extra vehicles a day, one third of them being diesel H.G.V's. The quality of the air will not be improved by the extra emissions, but then who is monitoring it anyway? This is not the atmosphere to bring children up in or for residents with breathing problems to live.

As well as the extra noise from the rail operation day and night there will also be the noise from vehicles operating on site (beep, beep, vehicle reversing) at all hours. Perhaps a need for acoustic fencing round the site. Will there be "free of charge" parking and driver services provided by the development, if they are not free this will lead to fly parking, drivers rubbish and bodily fluids being dumped in the area, yet more health hazards. It is proposed that the residential area of Station Drive, Lower Ashes is to be blighted by a turning area for vehicles too high to negotiate the low railway bridge, this will be disastrous for the residents alongside it. I cannot believe that Highways England have agreed to allow vehicles to reverse on the blind side of the bridge along this busy road that is at a standstill at peak times. It cannot be beyond British technology to devise a system to stop drivers just following their satellite navigation systems to turn into this restricted road from the traffic lights on the A449 road.

It was interesting to attend the meeting at the Molineux Stadium, Wolverhampton held by Mr Paul Singleton. We, the residents of the area only have a small voice against the eloquent representatives of the applicant and their legal team.

The Council, who we thought were on our side against this development appear to have sold out for thirty pieces of silver, or was it one point seven million pounds and some road work improvements, there was some confusion at the meeting. We the residents of the area, birds, insects, other mammals, trees and plants are of no importance as it is all about the money. Perhaps we should hope that the potential customers for this development will choose to take their business elsewhere and the developers will decide to reduce or curtail this development.

This is your opportunity to protect Englands green and pleasant land, please take the right action and reject this inappropriate development, we do not want it, the country does not need it.

Yours faithfully,

