From:

To: West Midlands Interchange

Subject: West Midlands Interchange re: ExQ3 3.1.1

Date: 02 August 2019 13:00:10

Dear Sir

With regard to the Applicant's intention to build the 186,00 sq ft of warehousing 6 years before they intend to set up the rail link, I wish to make the following points:

- 1. To many interested local parties who have followed this application closely, it has always been our fear that the application to build a so-called rail freight hub was always about getting the warehousing through by the back door. Had the application been simply for this extent of warehousing, it is unlikely the application would be successful. Attach it to a notional rail hub, currently big buzz words in government and the planning world, and the aim is clearly to try to make the application more attractive.
- 2. When the Applicants say this delay in putting in the rail hub is for them to have time to 'generate interest' this demonstrates that there is no interest in it at the moment, so why apply to build it? The answer is that they believe there is a lot of money to be made from warehousing and this is a cynical money-spinner wrapped up in false concern for the environment.
- 3. The Applicants other reason for the delay is to give them time to raise money for the rail hub. This puts into doubt whether they have sufficient funds to put in place the promised landscaping, driver facilities and other amenities designed to ameliorate residents' concerns about the impact of the application on the local environment.

I still strongly believe that this development is not needed and that there is nothing in its favour which could mitigate against the catastrophic impact locally on traffic and the health and well-being of people living in the area.

Yours sincerely Mrs Liz Singleton Resident of Brewood since 1983