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To: West Midlands Interchange
Subject: WMRI EXQ33.1.1
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Dear Sir,

I have already made it very clear in previous objections that the loss of greenbelt is unacceptable and that the existing traffic infrastructure is incapable of adequately serving the current levels of traffic.

I currently travel out of my way to avoid the A5 from the junction 12 to Gailey Island as, at rush hour, the traffic is more often than not queued between those two roundabouts.

To have now found out that the applicants now want to have a "suck it and see" approach to the rail hub, beggars belief. The argument for this development was to take vehicles off the road. Clearly this is no longer the case. If it's going to be a rail hub, then step one should be build the rail requirements.

This has transitioned from being a national infrastructure project to being one of a local planning application for a trailer park and associated warehousing. The addition of a rail hub to the initial application has been added in order to circumvent the correct local planning process, where it would be denied permission.

This needs to be rejected as it does not meet the Very Special Circumstances to be able to build on Green Belt land.

Regards, Ben Gutteridge.