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Subject: 'Must' to 'should' wording
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Good morning,

It has been brought to my attention that Four Ashes Ltd wishes to change the wording of the WMI proposal from 'must' to 'should'. If this change is agreed, it is highly likely that in the future the rail terminal will not be built and Four Ashes Ltd will not be obliged to build it. If it goes ahead and the wording is changed, this will lead to a large increase in entirely road-based freight, contributing not only to the stress of the already over-capacity road system and destruction of precious green belt land, but also to the area's carbon dioxide emissions. In light of the newly published Environment Bill and the UK's emphasis on net zero targets, it would be a disgrace for this plan to go ahead, and even more disappointing for Four Ashes Ltd to be allowed to operate exclusively road based freight.

Regards,
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