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**Subject:** Re: West Midlands Interchange - TR050005  
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Dear Sirs

I am very concerned about the letter submitted by the applicant given in the link below.

They seem to want to use the word 'should' instead of 'must' relating to various requirements to be met in their application. From the outset this application has bypassed all planning rules by claiming to be a Strategic Rail Hub, it now seems that by clever wording the applicants are leaving a loophole to wriggle out of this important fact. In essence this means that green belt land would be developed entirely for road based freight in the totally wrong location, adding a huge volume of HGV traffic onto our already heavily congested roads and increasing traffic problems. Without the rail terminal and connections it is not a Strategic development (SRFI).

Therefore in order for this application to go ahead at all the word 'must' must be used, otherwise it makes a nonsense of the whole thing. The applicants have to accept that if they have applied to build a Strategic Rail Freight Interchange a Strategic Rail Freight Interchange **MUST** be what they build and not warehousing for road based freight.

It really is as simple as that.

Yours faithfully

Rosie Blackburn

On Friday, 24 January 2020, 11:53:36 GMT, West Midlands Interchange <[wminterchange@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:wminterchange@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)> wrote:

Dear Sir/Madam

**West Midlands Interchange - TR050005**

Your reference: 20013212

Please find below a link to the letter requesting comments on the matters set out in the Secretary of States Letter dated 24 January 2020 & comments from all Interested Parties on a late representation from the Applicant dated 13 December 2019.

<http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/document/TR050005-001345>

If this link does not open automatically, please cut and paste it into your browser.

Yours faithfully

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