

The specific sites Mr. Costa MP invites the Planning Inspectorate to view is:

- Narborough Level Crossing (at times to be agreed during rush hour)

REASON:

Concerns that the level crossing which connects the villages of Narborough and Littlethorpe has not been given adequate consideration by the applicant. Firstly, the modelling conducted by the applicant regarding the down time of the barrier is insufficient. As a result of this, the lack of mitigations proposed by the applicant are a major cause of concern to the residents of both villages. The issue carries considerable implications; for the villages of Narborough and Littlethorpe, the level crossing is the only road directly connecting the two villages.

- Traffic pinch points of concern (during rush hour): Stoney Stanton (where Huncote Road and Occupation Road meet; where Long Street and New Road meet), Sapcote (where Hinckley Road and Leicester Road meet), and Sharnford (Leicester Road).

REASON:

Many of the villages closest to the proposed site are rural in nature and therefore there are widespread concerns that local, country roads will become too busy with traffic leading to gridlock in village centres. Whilst I appreciate that the site in question is designed to cater for freight train deliveries, as opposed to a reliance on HGVs, little consideration appears to have been given to the transport arrangements for the claimed 8,400 employees that the applicant has suggested will be employed on the site.