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Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange Application 22 January 2025 16:21:23

Heidi Alexander MP Great Minster House 33 Horseferry Road London SW1P 4DR Dear Heidi,

Re. The Proposed Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange

I'm Writing regarding the Proposed Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange (Hinckley NRFI). Having attended the public consultations and read through the mitigation documents the developer has published. I'd like to object to this project in the strongest possible terms. No amount of mitigation will transform the local infrastructure into something that will work without huge delays, noise, pollution and stress for the local communities. The roads around this area are extremely congested without any additional HGV movements, as well as thousands more commuters travelling to and from the proposed site using the local village roads 24/7.

The area this project has been proposed to be developed is currently the only rural retreat within walking distance from several surrounding villages. Often used by hikers, dog walkers, people to exercise and families wanting to 'get away from it all'. If this proposal goes ahead 650 acres of this area will be permanently 'lost' which would have a significant negative impact on the mental wellbeing of the local community.

To give an insight into how the local area was to be designed going forward, please see the link below.

Within, there is a great emphasis on future developments to enhance the area and protect wildlife. Concreting over 650 acres of rural local area is neither enhancing the area nor protective.

https://www.hinckley-

bosworth.gov.uk/download/downloads/id/1083/burbage\_village\_design\_statement.pdf An indicator about how local people feel in the area about the proposals, can be heard within a survey carried out by local MP Alberto Costa in 2023. The survey found that the vast majority, some 94.5% (1631) of respondents opposed to the plans.

The proposal is unbefitting for the area, it is plain to see that wildlife will be lost, havoc will be created on the roads and be disastrous for the local community's wellbeing. There are many rail hub terminals within a very short distance of this proposed site. That and all the other new warehousing and building developments in the area is just consuming the landscape around us and damaging for future generations.

Please consider the huge negative impact on the local communities if this proposal goes ahead.

Yours sincerely,