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Dear Team,

I am writing to oppose the above.

This is not as a NIMBY, although I do live in Sapcote, which will be one of the villages that will be very badly affected if this proposal goes ahead, but as a practical person.

The proposed Interchange is just not required. There are already 5 rail interchanges within a 30 mile radius. ALL have capacity, with some being utilised less than 50% of the time.

Why build another?

Also, there are millions ( yes millions) of square feet of warehousing just laying empty, with more being built (Magna Park and M1 junction 24)

The statement by Tritax that the villages ( Sapcote, Stoney Stanton, Sharnford, Elmsthorpe) will not be affected by the traffic is a total nonsense. Recently the M69 was closed and the A5 is always being closed because of bridge strikes. The HGV's will go through these villages. There are places in the villages where 2 HGV's cannot get through if going in opposite directions. This is so badly thought through as to be laughable. Also, because there is virtually nil unemployment in the area, traffic from surrounding areas will have to travel to the site, probably through the villages - chaos as the roads are full now.

As for reducing vehicle movement, there is virtually no industrial or manufacturing left in the area. All goods unloaded from the rail freight interchange will have to be moved by lorry to other areas, probably nearer to existing rail freight interchanges .

That's the practical lunacy of the proposal. Add to that the upheaval, the destruction of environment, the spoiling of the countryside and the destroying of farming land, then you can see what a badly thought out proposal this is. It is solely a money making exercise by Tritax using "caring for environment by reducing road transport " as the excuse.

Originally this plan was rejected and nothing that Tritax have said has improved the situation. If the Secretary of State is unsure, then hold the plan on hold for 5-10 years to see if it's really needed. That way, the people in the villages won't have their lives ruined and countryside won't be destroyed just so one company can make some money.

Thanks for listening.

Regards

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