From:

West Midlands Interchange

To: Subject:

Feedback on submission letter to the inquiry by Eversheds Sutherland acting for Four Ashes Ltd, dated 13

December 2019

Date:

06 February 2020 09:39:07

Dear Sir,

In this late submission the developer has requested that the wording relating to the building of a rail terminal is stated as 'should' be built rather than 'must' be built. If this wording is changed I believe this gives permission for them to build a solely road transport linked, warehouse based development rather than the planned rail terminal.

This means that green belt land would be developed entirely for road based freight in the wrong location, adding a huge volume of HGV traffic onto our already heavily congested roads. The M6 and A5 are already over capacity and the Smart Motorway is causing more problems. I understand that the only reason this development has been allowed to progress through this Planning channel is because it is a 'Strategic Rail Freight Interchange', without the rail terminal and connections it is not a Strategic development (SRFI).

Any kind of development in this location destroying green belt and increasing traffic to the local area is wholly inappropriate. I hope that as this planning process reaches its conclusion that the right decision will be made for the area, the people who live here and future generations to come.

Yours sincerely

C Elliman

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