



HOUSE OF COMMONS
LONDON SW1A 0AA

PINS RECEIVED

20 SEP 2018

Ms Kate Mignano
Case Officer
Planning Inspectorate (PINS)
Temple Quay House
Temple Quay
Bristol
BS1 6PN

12th September 2018

Ref: AL/TG/1809

Dear Ms Mignano

RE: Northampton Gateway Strategic Rail Freight Interchange (SRFI) Proposal

Having reviewed the Rule 6 Letter that the Planning Inspectorate has issued with regard to the above proposal, I would like to formally raise concerns, as an Interested Party who has made a Relevant Representation, about the timetable as set out in Annex C.

I am aware that my Parliamentary Assistant has already communicated this to you via email, but to ensure process is followed I am putting the request in writing myself.

As I am unable to attend the Preliminary Meeting or the first Issue Specific Hearing on Tuesday 9th October, or the first Open Floor Hearing on Wednesday 10th October, I would very much like to exercise the right granted to me in the Rule 6 Letter as an Interested Party to request an Open Floor Hearing, and to ask that this be scheduled at a time and date that would be convenient to my duties in the House. The date reserved for the second Open Floor Hearing, Thursday 14th March, would not work either.

I would however be happy to attend such a meeting on a Friday or a Saturday or, if it could be arranged, to give oral evidence at a session held in London, perhaps in one of the Committee Rooms in Westminster. I am very keen to have the opportunity to speak up on behalf of the hundreds of residents who have contacted me over a long period of time with their concerns about this proposal.

With best wishes,

The Rt Hon. Andrea Leadsom MP
Member of Parliament for South Northamptonshire

Member of Parliament for South Northamptonshire