From:
To: Northampton Gateway

Subject: Request to change planning DCO Northampton Gateway - Ref: TR050006

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Attachments: DCO Objection.docx

Dear Sirs

Please find attached my strong objections to the changes requested by Segro to the original planning DCO, Network must make these connections to the Northampton Loop Line, if they do not, then the site should not be allowed to start trading before the connections are complete.

Yours faithfully

Janet Winchester

Resident Milton Malsor

Objection to Segro Northampton Gateway SRFI DCO Amendment Application (Ref: 2019/No1358)

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I wish to object strongly to this amendment to the DCO Agreement as when planning was authorised by Grant Shapps Minister of Transport in 2019. The DCO stated that Rail Connections must be in place before the start of any Warehouse occupation.

The Claus was put into this Agreement because the development bypassed all Local Planning Authorities as they rejected this development on the grounds that is was in close proximity to local villages and communities also the Local Road Networks are unsuitable for Heavy Goods Vehicles.

Northampton Gateway was then declared to be a Strategic Rail Freight Interchange which is supposed to take Freight off the Roads and onto the Railway. The planning decision then went to the Planning Inspectorate in Bristol and to the Minister of Transport for Authorisation.

DERFT SRFI is only a short distance away situated at J18 M1 Motorway, Northampton Gateway is situated at J15 M1 Motorway, both Derft and Northampton Gateway use the same Northampton Loop Line which connects to the West Coast Main Line.

During the Consultation Period and Public Meetings prior to consent being given, Network Rail did not fully commit to the connections to the Northampton Loop Line, giving access to the West Coast Main Line, as it stated that the West Coast Main Line was one of the busiest lines in the country. As the Ministry of Transport passed this development for construction and all earthworks are virtually finished along with an onsite Rail Freight Terminal, Network Rail must abide by the DCO and make connections to the Northampton Loop Line as stated in the DCO.

Yours Faithfully

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