

Dear Mr Tett

## High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Bill

### Buckinghamshire County Council Petition 0520, AP00039, AP200060, AP400262, AP500019 – Assurances regarding Petition Issues

I am the Director of Hybrid Bill Delivery at HS2 Ltd, which is acting on behalf of the Promoter of the High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Bill ('the Bill') currently before Parliament. I am writing to you on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport to set out the assurances that the Secretary of State is willing to give in order to address some of the concerns expressed by Buckinghamshire County Council (the Council) regarding the impact of Phase One of HS2 (known as 'the Proposed Scheme').

With reference to the above petitions, the Promoter and the Council have engaged extensively and sought to resolve the objections raised by the Council. As a result of this engagement I am able to offer assurances in the following areas, the details of which are provided in this letter:

1. Road junctions – capacity and safety
2. A4010 / A4129 improvements
3. Stoke Mandeville Bypass extension
4. Stoke Mandeville Bypass cycleway
5. Public transport
6. Princes Risborough underpass
7. Traffic measures for schools on HS2 construction routes
8. Automated Traffic Information Systems
9. Langley and impacts in Iwer
10. Aylesbury linear park requirements
11. Mitigation package for Calvert
12. Wendover – roadside noise barriers
13. Footpath GMI/2/1 (South Heath)
14. Wycombe Single rail line
15. Environmental guidelines for roads in the AONB
16. Turweston
17. HOAC
18. Great Missenden Haul Road
19. Wendover Campus School

These assurances are provided on the understanding that they reflect priority strategic issues discussed at the meeting on 13 January, and on which the Council has engaged with us over the last few months.

I have copied this letter to Alastair Lewis (Sharpe Pritchard), who I understand is acting as your appointed Parliamentary Agent. I also intend to communicate the content of these assurances to the Leader of Aylesbury Vale District Council in so far as they are relevant to their petition.

A separate assurance letter has been sent in respect of the items you have raised at Langley, and the assurances are copied in section 9 of this letter.

Yours sincerely



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Enc. Appendix A: new public rights of way to be created  
Appendix B: cycleway at SCL/18, Calvert  
Appendix C: new footway along Addison Road and School Hill Lane  
Appendix D: C222-ATK-HY-DPL-020-108700-PET000521 AND C222-ATK-HY-DPL-020-108500-PET000521– plans for land at Aylesbury

## **8. Automated Traffic Information Systems (ATIS)**

An agreement will be entered into with the Council making available funding of £300,000 (to be paid within 90 days of Royal Assent) for up to 20 cameras, providing that the funding is applied only to their provision and that the cameras link into an existing system. The Council will be required to account to the Promoter for all expenditure and return the money if not spend within 10 years of receipt. The agreement should make clear that the funding is only towards additional cameras and that the Promoter will not be responsible for any maintenance or traffic monitoring. The Council will make available any traffic records or information held by the Council following the use of the cameras upon request of the nominated undertaker.

In the event that the Bill gets Royal Assent but HS2 is not then proceeded with, Buckinghamshire County Council will repay the funds, plus interest accrued, but less reasonable expenditure already incurred, to the nominated undertaker.