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Dear Councillor Steven Broadbent,

**TECC & East West Rail: Aylesbury Spur**

Thank you for attending the Transport, Environment & Climate Change Select Committee meeting on 1 February 2024 to introduce your report and update Members on the progress of the East West Rail project, its impact on residents and concerns to the Council.

The Select Committee notes the Council's efforts to support the inclusion of the Aylesbury spur which would link Aylesbury to the East West Rail line. During the meeting, we heard that provision is being put in place to allow the spur to be added once necessary funding is confirmed however a number of Members expressed concern over the ongoing uncertainty of the spur. On behalf of the Select Committee, I wish to wholeheartedly endorse your proactive lobbying with the Department for Transport and Network Rail towards the inclusion of the link as we fully recognise the benefits it would bring to residents.

I would like to reiterate my thanks to you, your Deputy Cabinet Member, Councillor Peter Martin, and your officers for continuing to represent the best interests of Buckinghamshire residents and businesses by holding East West Rail to account.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Bill Chapple OBE  
Chairman of Transport, Environment & Climate Change Select Committee  
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