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Sent: 28 February 2014 11:03
To: LDF Consultant
Cc: [Redacted] Tony
Subject: Local Plan for Bradford District
Sir/Madam,

Thank you for a copy of the local Plan addressed to our Network Rail Civil Engineer. He has passed a copy to me as the Senior Strategic Planner for rail issues in Yorkshire. I have also sent a copy of my response to Tony RUSLO, Town Planner. We both work for NETWORK RAIL and are responsible for strategic planning issues in terms of the capacity and Town Planning matters respectively. Further correspondence of this nature should be addressed to Tony in the future with a copy to me.

Your Local Plan was very complete as we and I offer the following comments:

1. New housing totalled over 27,000 due to be built by 2030 in the Bradford area with circa 10,000 new dwellings proposed in the Airedale, Wharfedale corridor with a lesser number along the south Pennine corridor. The impact on the rail way has been mentioned in terms of your Infrastructure Plan including the provision of a new station at Low Moor and Appleton Bridge and improving links at Ilkley Station and the Bradford stations. There is however no reference in your Local Plan to a proposed new station at Harrogate. Has Bradford yet established strongly in the Metro new stations proposals. If it is not supported? Are any other improvements planned for the key station areas?
2. In view of the impact on the road and rail network required for the Leeds station. Are there any plans to hold a Transport Workshop to assess the impact new dwellings will have on the road and rail network and to help identify infrastructure constraints and how to meet them to accommodate this growth? I am particularly concerned with the impact on the way Leeds Crossings, access to/from stations, station car parking and how the rail way could best cater for the increase in demand particularly into Leeds and how we can feed this about Route Studies due to commence in Summer 2014.
3. Planning programme for the new housing would be used to help inform our Route Studies and plan the way transport infrastructure requirements.
4. There is reference to Rail Plan 7 but I understand this contains a mix of funded interventions and future aspirations. I am not aware of how this links to the Yorkshire Rail Growth and I would like to be kept managed.

I do not like about the plan and once again thank you for sending a copy of your Local Plan with NETWORK RAIL.

Regards

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