DECLARATION

06/9/2023

East West Rail Bedford to Cambridge Route Update Announcement 26th May 2023

We write as a group of parish councils, councillors, environmental groups, campaign groups and residents of Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and elsewhere in response to the East West Rail Route Update Announcement.

This letter is to formally state that the signatories below do not want the East West Rail Company's proposal as described in the Route Update Announcement.

List of Signatories

MPs and Parliamentary Candidates

Richard Fuller, Conservative MP for North-East Bedfordshire Mohammad Yasin, Labour MP for Bedford and Kempston Chris Carter-Chapman, Conservative Candidate for South Cambs. Parliamentary Constituency Alan Victor, Parliamentary Candidate in Mid-Bedfordshire By-election

Organisations

Barton and District Bridleway Group
Chair, Bedford For A Re-consultation on Route E
CamBedRailRoad
Cambridge Approaches
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Climate Action Coalition
Campaign for the Protection of Rural England, Bedfordshire Branch
Campaign for the Protection of Rural England, Cambridgeshire Branch
Stop The Arc Group
Trumpington Residents' Association
Friends of the Cam

Bedfordshire

Bedford Borough Councillors

Tom Wootton, Elected Mayor and Leader of Bedford Borough Council

Nicky Gribble, Renhold and Ravensden Ward and Renhold Parish Councillor Jane Walker, Clapham and Oakley Ward and Oakley Parish Councillor Alison Field Foster, Harrold Ward and Bletsoe Parish Councillor Colleen Atkins, Harpur Ward Zara Layne, Harpur Ward Alison Field-Foster, Harrold Ward

Parish Councils

Ravensden Wilden

Parish Councillors

James D Stallard, Boarstall Parish Council Chair Daemon Pink, Bow Brickhill Parish Councillor Tamsin Bromley-Rahlke, Clapham Parish Councillor Phillipa Simms, Clapham Parish Council Chair Allan Prudham, Clapham Parish Councillor Sarah Walker, Clapham Parish Councillor Eric Cooper, Clapham Parish Councillor John Reid, Clapham Parish Councillor Nigel Sparrow MBE, Clapham Parish Councillor Tim Wood, Great Barford Parish Councillor Graham Turner, Lidlington Parish Councillor John Riches, Middle Claydon Parish Councillor Julie Roberts, Renhold Parish Councillor Margaret Dean, Renhold Parish Councillor Susan Brunsden, Renhold Parish Councillor Justin Griffiths, Roxton Parish Council Chair Michael Thompson, Thurleigh Parish Councillor Marc Frost, Wixams and Wilstead Ward and Wilhamstead Parish Councillor Martin Yemm, Wyboston, Chawston, Colesdon Parish Council, Chair Gordon Johnston, Wyboston, Chawston, Colesdon Parish Council, Vice Chair Angela Murrie, Wyboston, Chawston, Colesdon Parish Councillor

Cambridgeshire

District and County Councillors

Dr. Richard Williams, Chair South Cambridgeshire Conservative Assoc. and Cllr for Whittlesford

Heather Williams, Councillor for the Mordens and Conservative Leader South Cambs. District Council

Sebastian Kindersley Chair, Cambridgeshire County Council and County Councillor for Gamlingay

Maria King, County Councillor, Sawston and Shelfords Division, Cambridgeshire County Council

Bunty Waters, Conservative, South Cambs. District Cllr. for Bar Hill

Graham Cone, Councillor for Fen Ditton & Fulbourn and Conservative Group Deputy Leader at South Cambs. District Council

Lina Nieto, Conservative, South Cambs. District Cllr. for Hardwick

Lisa Redrup, Lib Dem. South Cambs. District Cllr., Harston and Comberton

Michael Atkins, Lib Dem. South Cambs. District Cllr., Harston and Comberton

Ariel Cahn, Lib Dem. South Cambs. District Cllr., Harston and Comberton

Parish Councils

Caldecote

Comberton

Croydon

Elsworth

Great Eversden

Great Shelford

Guilden Morden

Harlton

Harston

Haslingfield

Hauxton

Knapwell

Little Eversden

Little Shelford

Toft

Yelling

Parish Councillors

Raymond Kemp, Barrington Parish Councillor Maggie Challis, Grantchester Parish Councillor Lesley Steinitz, Orwell Parish Councillor

Elsewhere

Parish Councillors

Chris Hillyard, Tiddington-with-Albury Parish Councillor Gary Cook, Radley Parish Councillor Peter Skelton, Mayor of Woburn Sands and Member of TC until April 2023 Keith Temple, Woburn Sands Town Councillor