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Network Rail response

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FAO: Kathryn Welch

Dear Kathryn

**Network Rail consultation response to LU/246/24/PL - Land at Toddington Lane**

Thank you for consulting Network Rail Infrastructure Limited ('Network Rail') on the above planning application.

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The proposed site is located a short distance to the north of an at grade level crossing on the railway at Toddington Lane. As part of the planning consent for the residential development at the former Greencore site, this requires that the developer uses best endeavours to close the level crossing. Network Rail would continue to emphasize that the required steps be taken to close the level crossing at Toddington Lane to ensure that the safety of current and future occupiers of the development sites near to the crossing is maintained. The proposed development subject to above planning application (ref: LU/246/24/PL), will contribute towards increased use of the level crossing alongside the cumulative increased use from other nearby developments. Network Rail maintains that the level crossing at Toddington Lane should be closed and all efforts should be made towards achieving this closure.

Regards,



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