

Maria McLauchlan - GT EPE

From: Brian Buttifant [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 February 2021 10:47
To: yvonne.oddy@planninginspectorare.gov.uk; Oddy, Yvonne
Subject: ROW/3201659

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

I continue (two previous submissions sent) to oppose Network Rail's proposal to divert the rail crossing with a 64 step 36 foot high bridge.

This crossing has been used by myself for over 60 years with complete safety. It is a direct link to Otford village with access to Shops, Post Office and Doctors Surgery from my home in Kemsing. I still use it with confidence now in my 80's but a bridge would cause me and other users problems. In recent years the safety has been improved with handrails and more security fencing. A colleague has given me sight of the document Ref: ROW/3201659 Rail Crossing Diversion Order 2019, I find it a sad reflection on society that individuals who will not take responsibilities of their or others safety, to ignore a large clear sign of STOP. LOOK and LISTEN is a total disregard to safety. Would a more accessible solution to be electronic gates activated by an oncoming train therefore stopping the stupid prankster and I would imagine this would reduce the costs.

Regards

Brian Buttifant
[REDACTED] Greystones Close
Kemsing
Sevenoaks
Kent TN15 6QZ