

7 October 2011

All parties consulted on the closure of Mosley Street station.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Mosley Street station – Department for Transport request for ratification of closure

- 1) Please find enclosed a notice ratifying the closure of Mosley Street station. Under its powers in s.32(9)(b) of the Railways Act 2005 (“the Act”), the Office of Rail Regulation (ORR) requires Metrolink to display this notice at the Mosley Street station for a period of 4 weeks following the date of the notice.
- 2) I will today send a copy of the closure ratification notice to the operator, and to all the parties consulted by the Department for Transport. A copy of the notice will also appear on the ORR website and will be placed on the ORR public register.
- 3) In deciding whether to ratify this proposed closure, ORR has checked that the Department for Transport has:
 - a) provided ORR with the appropriate documentation.
 - b) followed the consultation requirements laid down in the Act, and by the Railways Closure Guidance issued by the Secretary of State on 18 October 2006.
 - c) reasonably applied the criteria for appraising such proposals, as laid out in the Railways Closure Guidance.
 - d) concluded that the proposal represents good value for money, and that this conclusion is reasonable.
- 4) During the process of considering ratification, the proposal was posted on the ORR website. We received no comments in response to this.

Yours sincerely

Stuart Freer

