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Dear Caroline

CONSULTATION ON THE REVIEW OF GUIDANCE ON LEVEL CROSSINGS

Thank you for your letter of 20th April which has come to me through PACTS. I have carried out a superficial review of both documents, and I particularly note that the subject of cyclists does not appear to be comprehensively dealt with.

In particular, can I suggest that the user document should have a section for cyclists advising them to follow signs and lights, stop at barriers and not zig zag etc, and also that it is necessary to dismount where signs say so and explaining the risk of getting a wheel trapped in a flange way on acute angle crossings.

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Similarly, on the managing of level crossings section, I would suggest there should be guidance as to the angle when it is necessary for cyclists to dismount and the signs that should be provided in these circumstances.

I hope these comments are of help and I should be very happy to discuss them further if you wish.

On a personal note, I hope you are keeping well. I am enjoying the new job immensely.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andy Savage', written in a cursive style.

ANDY SAVAGE
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