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11 April 2019



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Dear Mr Lepper,

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Angel Road station - Department for Transport request for ratification of closure

- 1) Please find enclosed a notice ratifying the closure of Angel Road station. Under the power granted in s.32(9)(b) of the Railways Act 2005 (the Act), the Office of Rail and Road (ORR) requires Abellio East Anglia Limited (Greater Anglia) to display the ratification notice at Angel Road station for a period of 4 weeks following the date of the notice.
- 2) Please note that the notice also requires the operator of the stations in the area affected by the closure to display a copy of the closure ratification notice at those stations for a period of 4 weeks following the date of the notice.
- 3) I have written separately to Greater Anglia concerning the requirement to display the notice at: Hertford East, Ware, St. Margarets, Rye House, Broxbourne, Cheshunt, Waltham Cross, Enfield Lock, Northumberland Park, Tottenham Hale, Lea Bridge, Bishop's Stortford, Sawbridgeworth, Harlow Mill, Harlow Town, Roydon. I have also written to MTR Corporation (Crossrail) Limited requiring it to display the notice at Stratford station.
- 4) I will today send a copy of the closure ratification notice 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.
- 5) 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; and
- d) concluded that the proposal represents good value for money, and that this conclusion is reasonable.
- 6) During the process of considering ratification, the proposal was posted on the ORR website. We did not receive any representations in relation to the request for ratification.

Yours sincerely

John Trippier

Gerry Leighton Head of Stations & Depots and Network Code



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Closure Ratification Notice – Angel Road station

- 1. On 21 February 2019 the Department for Transport asked the Office of Rail and Road (ORR) to ratify the proposal to close Angel Road station.
- 2. Further to s32(8) of the Railways Act 2005 (the Act), I am satisfied that:
 - a) there has been no failure or defect in the consultation; and
 - b) the proposal satisfies the criteria set out in the relevant part of the closure guidance issued under the Act.
- 3. Having considered the overall proposal, I hereby ratify the closure of Angel Road station.
- 4. Under s33(2) of the Act, ORR may "impose such requirements relevant to the proposal as it considers appropriate". I do not consider it appropriate to impose such requirements in this case.
- 5. Under ORR's powers in s32(9)(b) of the Act, I require the operator of Angel Road station to display this notice at the station for a period of 4 weeks following the date of this notice.
- 6. In addition, I require the operators of the stations in the area affected by the closure Hertford East, Ware, St. Margarets, Rye House, Broxbourne, Cheshunt, Waltham Cross, Enfield Lock, Northumberland Park, Tottenham Hale, Lea Bridge, Bishop's Stortford, Sawbridgeworth, Stratford, Harlow Mill, Harlow Town, Roydon to display this notice at those stations for the same period.

Gerry Leighton

Duly authorised by the Office of Rail and Road

