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Dear Debbie

### **Delivering ORR's duty to cooperate under the Localism Act 2011**

I write in response to your consultation issued in May 2013, in which you set out draft guidance on ORR's proposed approach to the duty to cooperate under the Localism Act 2011.

No part of this response is confidential and we are happy for it to be published in full.

Network Rail has reviewed the draft guidance with interest and consider it to be appropriate. Where ORR responds to a local authority on a planning matter it would be useful if we could be copied in and for any such response to be made publicly available (i.e. published on ORR's website). This would help other industry bodies identify those planning matters that are likely to be of wider industry interest and engage in the consultation process as necessary.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of this response, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "JHaskins", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Jon Haskins  
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