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Dear Ms Daniels

Consultation on the Office of Rail Regulation's proposed approach to duty to cooperate under the Localism Act 2011

Thank you for consulting Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) on the above. We welcome the proposed guidance and the proposed process for Local Planning Authorities and other public bodies to informally discuss issues of a strategic nature with the ORR. We hope this will help streamline your consultation processes and allow your limited resources to be focussed on those consultations where you can add value to a proposed development plan or a development proposal. You may wish to consider including relevant contact details within your guidance.

I hope you find these comments useful in the progression of your guidance. Should you wish to discuss the matter further please do not hesitate to contact Transport for Greater Manchester's Local Transport Spatial Planning Officer, Richard Clowes on 0161 244 1269 or richard.clowes@tfgm.com

Yours sincerely



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