

# CONSULTATION REPORT

## relating to

### PROPOSED LAND DISPOSAL

This report is provided as a supplement to our forms for the proposed disposal of land at:

Site location and description: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

We have consulted in relation to this evaluation, and summarise the results of this as follows:

#### Summary of position regarding responses:

Of the 29 consultees, 20 responses were received of no comment or no objection.

Of the positive comments the response from Freightliner was conditional on the disposal being completed with a covenant in place to restrict use of the disposal site to just railfreight purposes.

Of the remaining 9 consultees, no responses were received despite chasing emails. Given the location of the site in South Yorkshire, the lack of response from 3 is not considered material as they are Train Companies who don't operate on the rail network next to the site (Avanti, Chiltern and East Midlands Trains). Grand Central, Colas Rail and DB Cargo rarely, if ever, respond. Nuclear Transport Solutions have not replied but this is not considered material given the location and nature of the site. West Coast Rail have not responded but this is not considered to be material given the location and nature of the site. The enquiry to Sheffield City Region did not result in a response but a no objection one has been received from the South Yorkshire Mayor Combined Authority that has overall control for Local Transport issues in the region so the lack of response from this consultee is not considered to be material.

The full list of external consultees is set out below:

No.	External party (name)	Contact name, email address and telephone	Whether response received (y/n)	Date of response	Details of response (e.g. “no comment”), with reference to any accompanying copy representation in annexes to this report	Comments (e.g. as regards endeavours to obtain response where none given)
1	Department For Transport		Y	22/09/2022	No objection	
2	Transport For North		Y	17/10/2022	No objection	
3	Arriva Trains Cross Country		Y	26/09/2022	No comment	
4	C2C Rail Limited		Y	21/09/2022	No objection	
5	Chiltern Railway Company Limited		N		No response	Emails sent 10/10/22 and 17/10/22
6	East Midlands Trains		N		No response	Emails sent 10/10/22 and 17/10/22
7	Eurostar International Limited		Y	21/09/2022	No comment	
8	Great Western Railway		Y	27/09/2022	No objection	
9	Grand Central Railway Company Limited		N		No response	Emails sent 10/10/22 and 17/10/22
10	Hull Trains		Y	09/12/2022	No objection	

11	London & South Eastern Railway Limited (Southeastern)		Y	22/09/2022	No comments	
12	Merseyrail Electrics 2002 Limited		Y	21/09/2022	No objections	
13	Northern Rail Limited		Y	21/10/2022	No objection	
14	LNER (London North Eastern Railway)		Y	21/09/2022	No objections	
15	Avantie Trains		N		No response	Emails sent 10/10/22 and 17/10/22
16	Colas Rail		N		No response	Emails sent 10/10/22 and 17/10/22
17	Nuclear Transport Solutions		N		No comments	Emails sent 10/10/22 and 17/10/22
18	Logistics UK		Y	10/10/2022	No objections	
19	Freightliner Limited		Y	15/11/2022	Happy with approach – see comments.	
20	GB Rail Freight Limited		Y	10/10/2022	No issues	
21	Rail Freight Group		Y	21/09/2022	Ok with RFG	
22	DB Cargo UK Ltd		N		No response	Emails sent 10/10/22 and 17/10/22
23	W. H. Malcolm		Y	21/09/2022	No comments	
24	West Coast Rail Company		N		No response	Emails sent 10/10/22 and 17/10/22

25	Association of Community Rail Partnerships		Y	17/10/2022	No comment	
26	British Transport Police		Y	22/09/2022	I don't think that BTP has any comment to make on this one	
27	Transport Focus		Y	23/09/2022	No comment	
28	South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority		Y	24/10/2022	No objection	
29	Sheffield City Region		N		No response	Emails sent 10/10/22 and 17/10/22

Copies of responses are listed below.

A copy of the consultation request (before customisation for any individuals) is given below Annex 2

## 1 DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT

**From:**

**Sent:** 22 September 2022 18:06

**To:**

**Cc:**

**Subject:** FW: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

Hi

I can confirm that DfT have no objection to NR's plan. Please proceed.

Cheers

Briefing and Correspondence Manager, Communications and Briefing Team, Operations, Rail Infrastructure Group, Department for Transport, Department for Transport  
Second Floor

Post to: Great Minster Hse, 33 Horseferry Rd, London, SW1P 4DR

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## 2 TRANSPORT FOR NORTH

**From:**

**Sent:** 17 October 2022 11:28

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line - 21st October response

I can confirm that Transport for the North has no objection to this land disposal near Rossington.

Regards,

Rail Strategy Manager



2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 4 Piccadilly Place, Manchester, M1 3BN  
[www.transportforthenorth.com](http://www.transportforthenorth.com)

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### 3 ARRIVA TRAINS CROSS COUNTRY

**From:**

**Sent:** 26 September 2022 12:30

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

XC Trains Ltd has no comment on this proposed disposal.

Regards

Stations Contract Manager, CrossCountry

Mobile:

Address: 5th Floor, Cannon House, 18 The Priory Queensway, Birmingham, B4 6BS



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**4 C2C RAIL LIMITED**

**From:**

**Sent:** 21 September 2022 10:17

**To:**

**Subject:** Re: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

Good morning

No objection form c2c for this proposal.

**Regards**

**Facilities Management Manager**

2nd Floor, Cutlers Court, 115 Houndsditch, London EC3A 7BR



W: [www.c2c-online.co.uk](http://www.c2c-online.co.uk)



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**5 CHILTERN RAILWAY - No response**

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**6.EAST MIDLANDS TRAINS - No response**

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**7 EUROSTAR INTERNATIONAL LIMITED**

**From:**

**Sent:** 21 September 2022 10:20

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

No comment from EIL,

Thanks

PA to Chairman, Strategy  
Director & People Director





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**8 GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY****From:****Sent:** 27 September 2022 15:38**To:****Subject:** Re: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

We have no objection thank you

**Network Access Manager | Great Western Railway**

1 Milford Street | Swindon | SN1 1HL

First Greater Western Limited | Registered in England and Wales number 05113733

Registered office: Milford House, 1 Milford Street, Swindon SN1 1HL.

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**9 GRAND CENTRAL RAILWAY CO – No response**

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**10 HULL TRAINS****From:****Sent:** 09 December 2022 10:50**To:****Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

Hi

I sent this through to the senior team earlier this week but have not yet received a response.

Looking through it myself I can't see an issue with it, a transfer of ownership to a freight company so am happy to say from a Hull Trains point of view we have no objection to this proposal

Cheers

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### 11 LNER (London North Eastern Railway)

**From:**

**Sent:** 21 September 2022 13:31

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

We have no objections to the proposed disposal.

Regards,



Principal Estates Manager

East Coast House, 25 Skeldergate, York, YO1 6DH

**12 SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY**

**From:**

**Sent:** 22 September 2022 09:41

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

Hi

No comments on the proposed land disposal.

Kind regards

Major Contracts Commercial Manager

southeasternrailway.co.uk

**southeastern**

4 More London Riverside

London

SE1 2AU

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**13 MERSEYRAIL ELECTRICS LIMITED**

**From:**

**Sent:** 21 September 2022 10:19

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

Morning,

We have no objections

Thanks

Legal & Compliance Officer



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**14 NORTHERN RAIL**

**From:**

**Sent:** 21 October 2022 09:19

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

Good morning,

Northern has no objections.

Thank you

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**15 AVANTI TRAINS - No response**

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**16 COLAS RAIL – No response**

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**17 NUCLEAR TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS - No response**

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**18 LOGISTICS UK**

**From:**

**Sent:** 10 October 2022 10:37

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

Dear

Logistics UK has no objections to this proposal.

Kind regards,

**Public Policy Manager  
Logistics UK**

Mobile:  
[www.logistics.org.uk](http://www.logistics.org.uk)

**LOGISTICS UK**

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**19 FREIGHTLINER LIMITED**

**From:**

**Sent:** 15 November 2022 10:00

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line - 21st October response

Hi

Yes happy with that thank you.

Kind regards

**From:**

**Sent:** 15 November 2022 09:59

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line - 21st October response

Further to our recent exchange, please could you confirm you have no objection to the proposed disposal provided the transfer includes a covenant restricting use of the disposal site to the following purposes.

*“storage or distribution or processing or manufacturing of materials a substantial proportion of which are transported to or from the Property by the provision or operation of services for the carriage of goods by railway (but not restricted to trains operated by the Tenant) and such other services or activities which do not form part of this definition but commonly form part of the services provided or activities carried on at a let sidings complex (which may include a freight terminal)”.*

Thanks

Principal Development Manager (Eastern), Network Rail

**From:**

**Sent:** 01 November 2022 15:48

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line - 21st October response

Hi

Yes we would support that as a way forward.

Thank you.

Kind regards

Group Property Manager  
Freightliner Group Limited

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**From:****Sent:** 01 November 2022 15:45**To:****Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line - 21st October response

Thanks for the response . If we proceed with a disposal but with

“ a restrictive covenant in the transfer for the property not to be used other than for rail-served rail purposes”

Then will you be able to confirm no objection to the proposed disposal?

Regards

Principal Development Manager (Eastern), Network Rail

**From:****Sent:** 24 October 2022 17:21**To:****Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line - 21st October response

Hi

I can confirm that as far as we are concerned this land has limited utility for intermodal rail freight given the surrounding development and it is no longer a site we are actively looking at nor is it one we have a commercial interest in.

However, I would note that at present the site is leased on a freight lease including use it loose it provisions so is protected for rail freight use.

You say this is to be sold for freight use and that may be the intention but consideration should be given to restricting it to a freight use by way of a restrictive covenant in case it is actually part of a land assembly strategy for mixed use development which we would not support.

The site is still rail connected and is a rare commodity deserving of protection for railway use. As well as the current us the site would be ideal for other bulk uses.

Kind regards



Group Property Manager  
Freightliner Group Limited

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**20 GB RAIL FREIGHT LIMITED**

**From:**

**Sent:** 10 October 2022 14:45

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line - 21st October response

No issues from GBRf.

Regards,

Head of Strategic Access Planning,  
GB Railfreight Ltd.,

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor,

55 Old Broad Street,

London, EC2M 1RX.

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Registered Office: 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 55 Old Broad Street, London, EC2M 1RX.

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**GB Railfreight**

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**21 RAIL FREIGHT GROUP**

**From:**

**Sent:** 21 September 2022 10:18

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

OK with RFG

Director General

Rail Freight Group

Mobile

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**22 DB CARGO UK LTD – No response**

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**23 W. H. MALCOLM**

**From:**

**Sent:** 21 September 2022 16:52

**To:**

**Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

No comments.

Regards

PS Do you have xxxx mobile number? I've mislaid it.

**Business & Estate Manager | W H Malcolm Ltd**

Malcolm Group, Block 20, Edinburgh Road, Newhouse Industrial Estate, Newhouse, Lanarkshire ML1 5RY

**Email:** | **Web:** [www.malcolmgroup.co.uk](http://www.malcolmgroup.co.uk) | [Malcolm Group on LinkedIn](#)

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**24 WEST COAST RAIL COMPANY - No response**

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**25 ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY RAIL PARTNERSHIPS**

**From:****Sent:** 17 October 2022 09:08**To:****Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line - 21st October response

No comment

Head of support &amp; development, and deputy chief executive

**Web:** [communityrail.org.uk](https://communityrail.org.uk)

The Old Water Tower, St Georges Square, Huddersfield, HD1

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Community Rail Network supports a growing movement of **70 community rail partnerships** and **1,000 volunteer groups** across Britain: engaging local people with their railways and stations, enabling sustainable and inclusive mobility, and bringing rail into the heart of communities.

A green button with a white border and rounded corners, containing the text "find out more" in white, lowercase letters. The button is positioned at the end of a horizontal green line with three blue dots, which is part of a larger graphic element.

**26 BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE****From:****Sent:** 22 September 2022 09:26**To:****Cc:****Subject:** RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

Hi

I have reviewed the plans below and I don't think that BTP has any comment to make on this one. I cannot see any potential for the change to affect trespass or crime types in the area.

Regards

Designing Out Crime Officer

British Transport Police, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor West Gate House, Grace St, Leeds, LS1 2RP[www.btp.police.uk](http://www.btp.police.uk)

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**27 TRANSPORT FOCUS**

**From:**

**Sent:** 23 September 2022 14:11

**To:**

**Subject:** Re: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

Hi

Thanks - no comment from us.

Best regards

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**28 SOUTH YORKSHIRE MAYORAL COMBINED AUTHORITY**

**From:**

**Sent:** 24 October 2022 14:47

**To:**

**Cc:**

**Subject:** FW: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line - 21st October response

Dear

Thanks for consulting SYMCA on this proposal. Apologies for the delay responding, and missing the deadline. We do not have any objection to this proposal as the siding not required for passenger rail use, and will continue in private rail freight use, facilitating transfer of waste by rail rather than road which supports our policy aims.

Kind regards

Senior Programme Manager (Rail)



[www.southyorkshire-ca.gov.uk](http://www.southyorkshire-ca.gov.uk)

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**29 SHEFFIELD CITY REGION – No response**

**ANNEX 2**

**Subject:** Consultation on proposed land disposal: Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line

Dear Consultee

We are currently seeking views of relevant parties on our proposed land disposal at Rossington (Doncaster) - former Rossington Colliery Branch-line by way of freehold sale.

We attach a draft application form which together with the related plan, explains the proposed land disposal in detail. Following this consultation and having considered any comments that are received, a decision will be made whether to submit a formal application to ORR for consent to dispose under the terms of our network licence.

It is therefore important that we have your views as to whether you believe that the proposed disposal site has any foreseeable railway, or other public transport, use which may lead us to consider that it is inappropriate to dispose of that site. Please be aware that any comments relating to Station Change, Network Change or Planning processes will be dealt with separately as part of their respective consultations.

Any application made will be based on this draft Property Disposal form and updated in light of consultation responses. It is therefore important that we have your views on the proposed disposal. Please could any comments be provided to me via email by **21st October 2022**.

If a formal application to ORR is made we will, in accordance with ORR's regulatory arrangements for land disposal, send you notification of our application in due course.

If you have any queries regarding our proposal do not hesitate to contact me. If future consultations of the nature should be directed elsewhere within your organisation please advise us of the appropriate contacts details so that we may amend our records.

Yours sincerely



Principal Development Manager  
(Eastern Region)

3a George Stephenson House, Toft Green, York, YO1 6JT



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