

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: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

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

Summary of position regarding responses:

Of the 13 consultees, 13 responses were received. Of the 13 received responses, there were 12 no objections or recommendations.

ABP have expressed an interest to utilise the land (and adjoining sections of trackbed not in this consultation) at some point in the future for a third rail connection into ABP's Port of Immingham. Therefore, their response has been treated as an objection to the disposal on the terms set out in the consultation report.

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	08/04/2026	No objections	

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2.	COLAS Rail Limited		Y	20/03/2026	No comments	
3.	Nuclear Transport Solutions		Y	22/04/2026	No comments	
4.	DB Cargo UK Ltd		Y	08/05/2026	No objection	
5.	Logistics UK		Y	08/04/2026	No comment	
6.	Freightliner Limited		Y	21/04/2026	No further comment	
7.	GB Railfreight Limited		Y	23/03/2026	Not object	
8.	Rail Freight Group		Y	12/04/2026	Ok	
9.	W H Malcolm Limited		Y	14/04/2026	No comments	
10.	Heavy Haul Rail		Y	18/03/2026	No comments	
11.	ABP		Y	14/04/2026 17/04/2026	Objects to the disposal without sufficient safeguards to ensure future rail access through the corridor	
12.	Transport for the North		Y	21/04/2026	No objections	
13.	North Lincs Council		Y	29/09/2025	No objections provided agreement in place to transfer bridge to Council	

Copies of responses are given in the annexes to this report, as indicated above.

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

Dear Consultee,

I consulted on the sale of part of the Goxhill branch in North Lincolnshire in August 25 and all consultees apart from ABP confirmed no objection to a disposal. The disposal land is shown by blue colour on Plan 1 attached and, for context, is the section coloured blue on the attached Plan 2. The planned disposal would mean the section of the branch coloured yellow through to Goxhill would be no longer preserved as a trackbed.

The consultation has shown that two potential competing uses exist for a section of railway land that has been out of use since the 1960s and for which re-opening proposals since c2010 have not been backed by evidence of a clear, feasible and funded plan. ABP have requested that they buy the land so they can protect the opportunity to re-open a third line out to Goxhill from the Port of Immingham to provide resilience for rail operations to the Port. Network Rail's view is that the interest is not backed up by evidence of a clear, feasible and funded plan and that the proposed disposal supports a project by Able UK that is ready to go and will benefit the local area. The two proposals do not appear to be able to co-exist so Network Rail is proposing a way forward that supports the Able proposal as previous consultation has confirmed Network Rail's assessment and neither DfT or the local authority has said that the site is needed for future development of the railway network.

However, given the ABP interest we are carrying out a limited and targeted re-consultation to the Railfreight industry, DfT and Local Authorities as a follow up to the August 25 consultation prior to making an application to ORR for specific consent to sell the land on the former Goxhill branch trackbed and not preserve it for a possible future connection out to Goxhill. The reasoning behind this is as follows:

1. There is a weight of evidence as referred to in my Licence Condition 17 consultation of 12th August and the attached revised consultation form that there is no strategic value in retaining the formation for future rail purposes. There is sufficient capacity and resilience in the existing network.
2. There is an existing proposal that is ready to go and is backed up by a current Business Plan to utilise the land for economic growth purposes that will significantly benefit the local economy. Therefore, on balance, this is the proposal Network Rail is prepared to support to ensure that the uncertainty over this unused infrastructure does not continue to blight economic development in the area.
3. Designs by Tata in 2013 have shown there is a viable third link to the west side of the Immingham Port that could be constructed without utilising the formation out to Goxhill and that would be a more readily constructible alternative to the Goxhill scheme and less controversial for the public. (Copy "Option 1b" attached for info.) This new line does cross various ownerships but the Tata study shows that a line is physically possible, less costly due to the shorter distance, less environmental effect as in an industrial area compared to an established residential location at Goxhill. In addition, the Goxhill line would require reinstatement of level crossings, purchase of other third party land to ensure a south facing connection could be provided and upgrade of the Thornton Abbey to Ulceby junction route.

Therefore, I would be grateful if you could consider the attached form and details and confirm that you still have no objection to the proposed disposal. I would be grateful for responses by 14th April 2026.

Regards

1. DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT

From: Sent: 08 April 2026 13:36

To: .

Subject: RE: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

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Hi xxxx,

Thanks for the nudge and apologies for not having come back to you sooner. I can confirm that I (still) have no objections to this disposal.

Many thanks,

Principal Sponsor – East Coast | Rail Services Group | Department for Transport

2. COLAS

From:

Sent: 20 March 2026 09:17

To: .

Subject: FW: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi xxxx – no comment.

KR,



Head of Property

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COLAS RAIL LTD

3rd Floor, 25 Victoria Street, London, SW1H 0EX United
Kingdom

www.colasrail.co.uk

3. NUCLEAR TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS

From:

Sent: 22 April 2026 10:36

To: .

Subject: RE: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

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Good Morning,

NTS have no comments.

Kind regards,

Procurement Manager - Rail

Nuclear Transport Solutions



www.nucleartransportsolutions.com

www.directrailservices.com

At NTS we work flexibly - so whilst it suits me to email now, I do not expect a response or action outside of your own working hours.

4. DB CARGO UK LTD

From: Sent: 08 May 2026 17:59

To: .

Subject: RE: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi xxxx,

Sorry for the delay in replying.

I can confirm that DB Cargo has no objection to this proposed land disposal as described.

Kind Regards,
Access and Rail Network Advisor

DB Cargo UK
Lakeside Business Park, Carolina Way
Doncaster, DN4 5PN

Network Change and other consultations, e.g. land disposals, should be e-mailed to:



5. LOGISTICS UK

From: Sent: 08 April 2026 15:50

To: .

Subject: Re: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi xxxx

We have no comment on this proposal.

Many thanks

Head of Infrastructure and Planning Policy
Logistics UK

www.logistics.org.uk

LOGISTICS UK

6. FREIGHT LINER LIMITED

From:

Sent: 21 April 2026 10:00

To: .

Cc: >

Subject: Re: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Ok thanks

Freightliner Limited has no further comment to make in respect of this proposed disposal.

7. GB RAILFREIGHT LIMITED

From:

Sent: 23 March 2026 15:45

To: .

Subject: RE: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

GBRf would not object to disposal.

Regards,



Head of Strategic Access Planning

5th Floor, 62-64 Cornhill | London | EC3V 3NH

GB Railfreight Limited | Registered in England number 03707899

Registered Office: 5th Floor, 62-64 Cornhill, London, EC3V 3NH

8. RAIL FREIGHT GROUP

From:

Sent: 12 April 2026 16:09

To: .

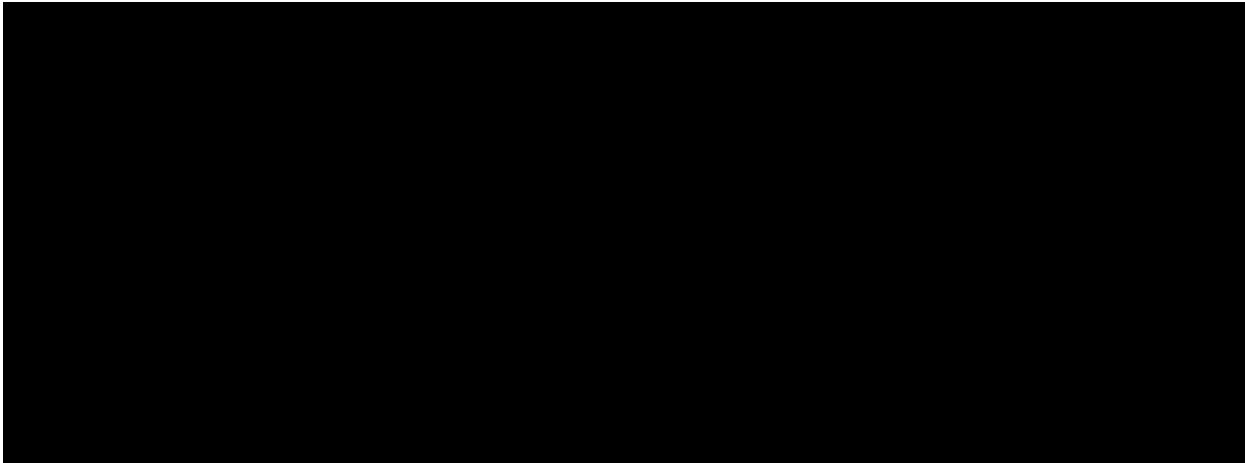
Subject: RE: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Ok with RFG

Director General

Rail Freight Group

Please note I do not work on Fridays.



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9. W H MALCOLM LIMITED

From: >

Sent: 14 April 2026 16:36

To: .

Subject: RE: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

No comments.

Regards

| Business & Estate Manager | W H Malcolm Ltd

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

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

10. Heavy Haul Rail

From: >

Sent: 18 March 2026 16:26

To: .

Subject: RE: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

No comments from Heavy Haul Rail.

Property Manager

Heavy Haul Rail Limited

Web: www.heavyhaulrail.co.uk



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11. ABP

From:

Sent: 17 April 2026 07:09

To: .

Cc: >

Subject: RE- Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire Clarification

Hi,

For the avoidance of doubt, ABP wishes to clarify that our response dated 12 September, which refers to the area shown in yellow, relates to the same geographical extent as the area referred to in blue in our response submitted earlier this week. Both responses refer to the same section of the Goxhill Branch Line, namely the land shown in *'Plan 1 Goxhill branch disposal plans.pdf.'*

Both submissions therefore relate to the same geographical and strategic requirement, and our position remains unchanged: the Port objects to the disposal of the Goxhill Branch Line, without sufficient safeguards to ensure future rail access through the corridor to preserve operational resilience across the Port.

We request that this clarification is formally appended to both our September response and our most recent submission for completeness and to ensure absolute clarity as to ABP's position.

Please confirm receipt of this email and provide written confirmation that this clarification will be included in Network Rail's final submission to the Office of Rail and Road.

Kind regards,

Lead Property Asset Manager | Associated British Ports

Hull - Port House | Northern Gateway Hull | HU9 5NS

Immingham - Dock Office | Immingham Dock | Immingham | DN40 2LZ

| www.abports.co.uk



ABP RESTRICTED (MOST SENSITIVE)

From:

Sent: 14 April 2026 18:58

To: >

Subject: RE: Confidential - Goxhill Branch Line/ Killingholme

,

Thank you for your email and for confirming Network Rail is undertaking a targeted LC17 re-consultation.

I am afraid we maintain our objection to the disposal of the former Goxhill branch line, for the reasons previously set out, without appropriate safeguards preserving unrestricted access to the rail corridor for future Port use.

LC17 is a forward-looking regulatory test and does not require a fully funded, “ready-to-go” scheme for land to be considered strategically important, particularly in the context of long-term port and rail freight infrastructure planning.

We also note the reliance placed on historic positions expressed by the DfT and local authority, as well as the Tata feasibility work from 2013. Those views were formed during a completely different time, policy and market context and were not assessments undertaken against the LC17 regulatory framework. Those parties are also not ABP or the Port of Immingham, which is one of the UK’s busiest Ports.

An historic, unimplemented, feasibility design concept, for an alternative rail route through 3rd party land and infrastructure, does not in our view provide a sufficient basis to justify the irreversible disposal of an existing rail corridor where future strategic or operational need may reasonably arise. Once it's gone, it's gone.

We attach our formal response to the LC17 re-consultation for your consideration. Separately, we will also respond with a **significantly improved offer for the branch line**, taking into account your points raised on the leasehold section, by the end of the week. For the avoidance of doubt, our willingness to explore revised commercial terms is without prejudice to this LC17 process.

Kind regards

| **Lead Property Asset Manager | Associated British Ports**

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Principal Development Manager (Eastern Region)
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York,
YO1 6JT

14th April 2026

Dear ,

Consultation on proposed land disposal LC17: Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire - part of former Goxhill branch redundant track bed

With reference to your email of 17 March 2026, ABP considers that the assessment by Network Rail of our objection dated 12 September 2025 does not adequately reflect the strategic considerations of ABP, in its response to your consultation, which LC17 is intended to protect. As set out in the ORR's Land disposal policy, "It is important that land ... which may be important to the continuing operation and future development of the network, and services relating to railways, is not disposed of against the public interest."

We therefore reaffirm our position that this branch line is strategically important to the operational resilience of the Port of Immingham (the Port) and provide further clarity in response to this re-consultation.

Crucially and by necessity the Port assesses strategic infrastructure requirements on a long-term basis.

Notwithstanding the challenging geopolitical conditions which have constrained UK waterborne freight volumes in recent years, demand for land and facilities at the Port of Immingham have remained strong. The Port remains one of the largest in the UK, handling approximately 46 million tonnes of cargo annually.

As global supply chain pressures ease, demand is expected to increase further. In addition, ABP continues to see growing demand from prospective occupiers for rail-connected and rail-served facilities across multiple sectors including: Construction, Automotive, Defence, Logistics and Alternative Fuels.

Strategic infrastructure must therefore be safeguarded in advance of this demand fully materialising. The LC17 process is a forward-looking process, the ORR Land disposal policy states that it must be "satisfied that its internal processes can identify land with possible railway use for, or in connection with, services relating to railways." Requiring a fully funded, time-bound scheme as a condition of safeguarding would undermine the process' purpose and fails to recognise that the absence of current use does not equate to the absence of future strategic railway need.

Network Rail has previously sought assurance on funding and deliverability. ABP Humber Region has a s.

Reinstatement of the rail line is estimated to cost in the region of £80 million, subject to scope, condition, regulatory requirements and associated structures. While ABP cannot at this stage commit to a specific delivery year or trigger point, this scale of investment is clearly affordable, at this time, within our capital envelope.

ABP's strategic assessment remains that existing rail infrastructure within the Port will, over time, be insufficient to meet anticipated demand and that the additional connectivity from the reinstatement of the Goxhill branch line will, sometime in future, be essential in providing the necessary resilience to the Port's future operations.

As part of any disposal by Network Rail, ABP would require appropriate protections to secure unrestricted future access to the rail corridor (shown in blue on the plan), including robust rights for any future rail connection across the land. Such protections would support rail freight growth, reduce road congestion and emissions, enhance supply chain resilience for the Port and the wider Humber region, and help deliver Government industrial and defence objectives.

Removing the opportunity for future use of the line would materially adversely affect the ability for ABP to expand its Port facilities at the Port of Immingham – impacting the future of UK inward investment, trade and economic growth. Once the corridor is sold and potentially developed, the opportunity is permanently lost.

Yours Sincerely



12. TRANSPORT for the NORTH

From:

Sent: 21 April 2026 12:51

To: .

Subject: RE: Re-Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

,

Yes, I've discussed this with our partners in the area, and as their concerns only relate to some technicalities rather than the proposal itself, I am happy to say we have no objections.

Regards,

Rail Strategy Manager



Level 6, Town Hall Extension, Lloyd Street, Manchester M2 5DB

www.transportforthenorth.com



13. NORTH LINCS COUNCIL

From: >

Sent: 24 April 2026 16:57

To: .

CcSubject: Re: PROPOSED LAND DISPOSAL - GOXHILL BRANCH LINE

Hi

The Council does not object in principle to the proposed disposal, recognising the potential economic benefits of future schemes.

However, this position is subject to the following conditions:

Bridge and Asset Assurance

Full structural information, inspection history, and a clear position on:

- Condition and defects
- Required remediation works
- Ongoing maintenance liability

The Council cannot accept transfer of any asset without full understanding of condition and associated financial risk.

Thanks

xxxx

Assistant Director of Economy | Communities

North Lincolnshire Council

Church Square House

Church Square

Scunthorpe

North Lincolnshire

DN15 6NL

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Site location and description: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

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

Summary of position regarding responses:

Of the 25 consultees, 23 responses were received. Of the 23 received responses, there were 22 no objections or recommendations.

Transport for the North (TfN) and Logistics UK did not respond. The lack of input from the non-responding stakeholders is not considered to be of any importance as both are common non-responders. No other Freight operators have made a comment other than no objection so unlikely that Logistics UK would be any different in terms of Freight. The land does not feature in any strategic rail plans so the lack of TfN response is not considered material.

ABP have expressed an interest to utilise the land at some point in the future for a third rail connection into ABP's Port of Immingham.

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	12/09/25	Nil response	
2.	Arriva Trains Cross Country		Y	25/08/2025	No comment	
3.	Chiltern Railway Company Limited		Y	13/08/2025	No comments	
4.	Eurostar International Limited		Y	05/09/2025	No comments/objections	
5.	Great Western Railway		Y	14/08/2025	No objection	
6.	Grand Central Railway Company Limited		Y	13/08/2025	No comments	
7.	London & South Eastern Railway Limited (Southeastern)		Y	13/08/2025	No comments	
8.	Merseyrail Electrics 2002 Limited		Y	13/08/2025	No objections	

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9.	Northern Rail Limited		Y	05/09/2025	Do not wish to raise any comments	
10.	Avanti Trains		Y	05/09/2025	No comments	
11.	COLAS Rail Limited		Y	05/09/2025	No comments	
12.	Nuclear Transport Solutions		Y	09/09/2025	No comments	
13.	DB Cargo UK Ltd		Y	28/08/2025	No objection	
14.	Logistics UK		N			Reminders sent 05/09/25 and 12/09/25 and no response
15.	Freightliner Limited		Y	05/09/2025	No comment	
16.	GB Railfreight Limited		Y	13/08/2025	No comment	
17.	Rail Freight Group		Y	14/08/2025	Ok	
18.	West Coast Railway Company		Y	05/09/2025	No comments	
19.	W H Malcolm Limited		Y	05/09/2025	No comments	
20.	Association of Community Rail Partnerships		Y	07/09/2025	No objections	
21.	British Transport Police		Y	03/09/2025	No objections or recommendations	

Site Specific Consultees

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22.	ABP		Y	12/09/2025	Would require sufficient protections and rights are put in place to secure unrestricted access to the rail corridor	
23.	Transport Focus		Y	14/08/2025	No comment	
24.	Transport for the North		N			Reminders sent 05/09/25 and 12/09/25 and no response
25.	NE Lincs Council		Y	29/09/2025	No objections	

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

1. DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT

From:

Sent: 12 September 2025 09:49

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE

Hi

Thanks for this. has forwarded across and I'm happy to confirm a nil response from my perspective.

Many thanks,

Principal Sponsor – East Coast | Rail Services Group | Department for Transport

2. ARRIVA TRAINS CROSS COUNTRY

From:

Sent: 25 August 2025 12:05

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

XC Trains Ltd has no comment on this proposed disposal.

Regards

Stations Contract Manager, CrossCountry

Mobile:

Address: 5th Floor | Multistory | 18 The Priory Queensway | Birmingham | B4 6BS



3. CHILTERN RAILWAY COMPANY

From:

Sent: 13 August 2025 15:01

To:

Subject: Re: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi

No comments

Regards

Business Plan Delivery Lead

Chiltern Railways

Station Road,

Banbury, Oxfordshire,

OX15 5AB

4. EUROSTAR INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

From:

Sent: 05 September 2025 09:17

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi

No comments / objections from Eurostar

Best regards

5. GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY

From:

Sent: 14 August 2025 08:22

To:

Cc:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal. GWR has no objection.

Best regards,

Network Development Manager | Great Western Railway

3rd Floor | Milford House | 1 Milford Street | Swindon | SN1 1HL

6. GRAND CENTRAL RAILWAY COMPANY LIMITED

From:

Sent: 13 August 2025 21:45

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi

No comments from Grand Central.

Regards

7. LONDON & SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY LIMITED (SOUTHEASTERN)

From:

Sent: 13 August 2025 15:18

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi

No comments on the proposed land disposal.

Thank you,

Major Contracts Commercial Manager

Southeastern

Southeasternrailway.co.uk

4 More London Riverside

London

SE1 2AU

8. MERSEYRAIL ELECTRICS 2002 LIMITED

From:

Sent: 13 August 2025 15:45

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Good Afternoon,

We have no objections to this.

Many Thanks

9. NORTHERN RAIL LIMITED

From:

Sent: 05 September 2025 09:26

To:

Cc:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi

Thank you for your email – Northern do not wish to raise any comments

Many thanks,

Compliance Manager

George Stephenson House, Toft Green
York

YO1 6JT



10. AVANTI TRAINS

From:

Sent: 05 September 2025 09:17

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi

As this is off route for Avanti West Coast, we have no comments.

Many thanks

11. COLAS

From:

Sent: 05 September 2025 09:09

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

no comments.

KR,



Head of Property



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12. NUCLEAR TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS

From:

Sent: 09 September 2025 08:25

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

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Good Morning,

NTS have no comments.

Kind regards,

Procurement Manager

Nuclear Transport Solutions



www.nucleartransportsolutions.com

www.directrailservices.com

13. DB CARGO UK LTD

From:

Sent: 28 August 2025 12:23

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi

DB Cargo has no objection to this proposed land disposal as described.

Kind Regards,

Access and Rail Network Advisor



Cargo

DB Cargo (UK) Limited, Lakeside Business Park, Carolina Way, Doncaster, DN4 5PN

Web: www.uk.dbcargo.com

Network Change and other consultations, e.g. land disposals, should be e-mailed to:

14. LOGISTICS UK – No Response

15. FREIGHT LINER LIMITED

From:

Sent: 05 September 2025 10:13

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Sorry – needed to check this one.

No comment from FL.

Thanks.

16. GB RAILFREIGHT LIMITED

From:

Sent: 13 August 2025 19:17

To:

Subject: Re: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

No issues from GBRf.

Regards,

Head of Strategic Access Planning

5th Floor, 62-64 Cornhill, | London | EC3V 3NH

GB Railfreight Limited | Registered in England number 03707899

Registered Office: 5th Floor, 62-64 Cornhill, London, EC3V 3NH

17. RAIL FREIGHT GROUP

From:

Sent: 14 August 2025 15:46

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

thanks, we are ok with this disposal

Director General

Rail Freight Group

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Rail Freight (Users and Suppliers) Group

Registered No. 332 4439

18. WEST COAST RAILWAY COMPANY

From:

Sent: 05 September 2025 09:20

To:

Subject: Re: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

no comments

WCR

19. W H MALCOLM LIMITED

From:

Sent: 05 September 2025 12:34

To:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

No comments.

Regards

Business & Estate Manager | W H Malcolm Ltd

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

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

20. ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY RAIL PARTNERSHIPS - No Response

From:

Sent: 07 September 2025 17:55

To:

Subject: Re: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Dear

We have no objections to this disposal from Community Rail Network

Kind regards

Regions support manager | Community Rail Network



Web: communityrail.org.uk

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21. BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE

From:

Sent: 03 September 2025 16:32

To:

Subject: DOCU 2025 1615 Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

OFFICIAL

Dear

I have read the consultation with regards to the disposal of land at the Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire. I have no objections or recommendations in relation to designing out crime or vulnerability.

If there is anything else I can be assistance with in relation to this project please do not hesitate to contact me using the contact details below.

Many thanks

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22. ABP

From:

Sent: 12 September 2025 16:32

To:

Cc:

Subject: RE: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi

It was good to meet with you.

I have attached ABP's response to the LC17 Consultation for the disposal of part of the Goxhill Branch in Killingholme. We fundamentally believe that the branch line has a fundamental role to play in future proofing the port's operations.

Happy to pick up on our conversation again once you've had chance to think over what we discussed yesterday.

In the meantime, if you require anything further, please just let me know.

Kind regards

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12th September 2025

Dear

Consultation on proposed land disposal LC17: Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire - part of former Goxhill branch redundant track bed

With reference to your email dated 13th August 2025.

ABP believe that the Goxhill branch rail line has a vital role to play in future-proofing the Port of Immingham's operations, supply chain resilience and requirements. Due to challenging Geopolitical factors, waterborne freight tonnages to and from the UK have remained static over the last few years. However, demand for land and facilities at the Port of Immingham, which is one of the largest ports in the UK, handling circa 46 million tonnes of cargo a year, has not diminished.

There has been a continuous growth in prospective occupiers requesting rail-connected and serviced facilities at the Port of Immingham, including from the Construction, Automotive, Defence, Logistics and Alternative Fuel sectors. Once international supply chain pressures ease, the demand for such connectivity will only grow.

The existing rail infrastructure and connections within the Port will eventually be insufficient to match this growth in demand, as organisations seek pathways to net-zero targets. There will therefore be a need for additional connectivity and ABP believes the potential future reinstatement of the Goxhill branch line to be fundamental to that.

As part of Network Rail's disposal of its interest in the land, ABP would require sufficient protections and rights to be put in place to secure unrestricted access to the rail corridor for any future connection for rail on the land, marked on the plan in yellow. Such rights would support future rail freight growth, reduced road congestion and emissions, enhanced supply chain resilience for the Port and wider Humber region, helping to deliver the UK Government's core industrial strategies and defence requirements.

ABP are willing to engage further to explore options for safeguarding this and the wider Goxhill branch section, including protective covenants or long-term arrangements that preserve future rail use rights.

Yours sincerely,

Head of Property - Humber

23. TRANSPORT FOCUS

From:

Sent: 14 August 2025 15:19

To:

Subject: Re: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Hi

Thanks - no comment from us.

Best regards

Rail technical advisor

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24. TRANSPORT for the NORTH

NO RESPONSE

25. NORTH EAST Lincs COUNCIL

From:

Sent: 29 September 2025 13:46

To:

Cc:

Subject: FW: Consultation on proposed land disposal: Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire

Good Afternoon

I can confirm North East Lincolnshire Council do not have any objections to this proposal.

Kind Regards,

(CMILT), Senior Transport Officer,

Environment Economy and Infrastructure, North East Lincolnshire Council

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ANNEX 2

Dear Consultee

We are currently seeking views of relevant parties on our proposed land disposal at Goxhill Branch, Killingholme, NE Lincolnshire by way Freehold Sale.

We attach a draft application form which together with the related plan(s), 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 12th September 2025.

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



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