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To: Chandrika Shah, Office of Rail Regulation

Subject: Managing Level Crossings: Guide for designers, operators and

users - consultation

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Dear Chandrika

Further to my email on Friday regarding the other level crossing document consultation I am pleased to offer the following thoughts on this document i.e. Managing Level Crossings: Guide for designers, operators and users.

Page 19 table: in the fourth paragraph I suggest reference to cyclists as well as pedestrians and horse riders. Almost all bridleways are open to cyclists as well as equestrians. Designers need to take account of their needs as well.

Page 45 Provisions for pedestrians at public vehicle crossings: Although this is not actually to do with pedestrians I believe that a couple of sentences should be added to the effect of 'Sufficient width of crossing surface should be provided where cycle lanes/paths are provided on the road/highway to the side of the crossing to allow those cycle lanes/paths to continue over the crossing. At heavily skewed crossings this may require a significant additional width to allow the cycle lane to be diverted away from the main carriageway alignment to cross at an angle closer to 90 degrees thereby preventing the risk of a cycle wheel from falling between the gap between the rail and the crossing surface.'

Maybe the title needs to be changed to reflect that need.

Regards

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