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To who it may concern

Re. Network Rail Stalybridge to Diggle TWA Order

Objection to the proposal within the TWAO [Transport and Works Act Order] to use Mill Lane, Archer Street and Brookfields for access to facilitate the building of the new station.

Even without any further external pressures, the unique nature of this location makes it one of the most risky and dangerous places in Mossley, and as thus it is a concern and worry for a number of reasons.

- Bringing any heavy construction traffic onto Mill Lane, passing Milton Primary, and on to Archer Street contradicts the duty of care owed to pupils and residents.

- Any increase in heavy vehicle movements would coincide and conflict with the busiest times of day for children walking, cycling, and being dropped off.

- Mill lane is a very steep narrow road. Its lower section becomes one way and cannot safely accommodate larger vehicles because of the low bridge. At the top of Mill Lane there are completely blind spots, Cars are meant to stop and give way but have to edge forward at its steepest part to get onto Carrhill Road. It is a very dangerous junction fraught with risks and danger.

- This is already a very restricted and dangerous area for children when they are trying to cross the road. These physical constraints make it impossible for construction traffic to use the road safely without creating significant risks and danger.

- Construction traffic could obstruct or delay emergency vehicles accessing the school or nearby homes.

- No safe passing space. The width of the road means large vehicles would struggle to navigate without mounting pavements or reversing—both unacceptable and very dangerous near a school.

- Existing congestion: Mill Lane is already very heavily congested during school drop-off and pick-up times. It is impossible to safely accommodate additional traffic.

- Impact on children's health: Increased noise and reduced air quality from heavy vehicles would affect classrooms and outdoor areas.

- Disruption to walking routes: Mill Lane forms part of the main safe walking route used by pupils. Construction activity would seriously compromise this.

- Safer alternatives exist: All access should be from the Manchester Road side of the track.

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