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Formal Objection to the Proposed Use of Mill Lane, Archer Street and Brookfields for Construction Access in Relation to the Mossley Station Transport and Works Act Order

I wish to formally object to the proposal within the Transport and Works Act Order to use Mill Lane, Archer Street and Brookfields as access routes to facilitate the proposed changes to Mossley Station.

My objection is based on the following grounds:

1. Safety Concerns

Mill Lane presents a significant safety risk due to the presence of a primary school located approximately halfway along the road. The introduction of heavy construction traffic, including large goods vehicles and machinery, would pose an unacceptable danger to pupils, parents, and school staff, particularly during peak drop-off and collection times.

Children regularly walk along Mill Lane, some unaccompanied, and parents with pushchairs also rely on this route. The increased volume and size of construction vehicles would significantly elevate the risk of accidents and undermine pedestrian safety in an area where safeguarding children must be a priority.

2. Unsuitability of the Road Network

Mill Lane is narrow, steep, and constrained, with a low bridge and a one-way system at the lower end. These physical characteristics render the road wholly unsuitable for heavy construction traffic.

Additionally:

- There is insufficient space for large vehicles or machinery to safely turn or manoeuvre.
- The junction at the top of Mill Lane includes a blind bend, creating poor visibility and increasing the likelihood of collisions.
- Turning space at both ends of the road is extremely limited, compounding safety and operational risks.

These constraints raise serious concerns about the practicality and safety of using Mill Lane for construction access.

3. Congestion and Emergency Access

The surrounding area already experiences significant congestion, with limited parking and narrow carriageways struggling to accommodate residents' vehicles.

Introducing construction traffic would:

- Exacerbate congestion and create hazardous conditions for pedestrians
- Further endanger children walking to and from school
- Potentially obstruct emergency vehicle access, particularly in relation to the nearby primary school

Any obstruction or delay to emergency services in this area would be unacceptable.

4. Environmental and Nature Impact

Residents have spent several years actively opposing development on Brookfields due to its rich and diverse wildlife, which is of recognised local importance. Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs) are in place to protect the natural environment in this area.

The proposal to use Brookfields for construction access raises serious questions as to:

- The potential damage to protected trees and habitats
- Disturbance to wildlife
- Whether existing environmental protections are being adequately respected

Residents are rightly concerned that years of effort to protect Brookfields may be undermined, calling into question the value of these environmental safeguards.

For the reasons outlined above — namely safety risks, unsuitable road conditions, increased congestion and emergency access concerns, and environmental harm — I strongly object to the proposed use of Mill Lane, Archer Street and Brookfields as construction access routes.

Yours faithfully,

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