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Ref ; Network Rail Essex and Others Level Crossing Reduction Order
In the Parish of Wrabness E48 Wheatsheaf footpath Ex/184/19


19.05.2017

Dear Sirs

I am writing to express my concern regarding the proposal by network rail to close the existing footpath that they have in recent years spent a lot of money making accessible for all and relocating it up the side of the farmers field here at Wrabness.

This footpath is used very marginally and in the thirty years that I have been resident here I have barely seen it used at all as there are many other far more enjoyable walks in Wrabness for pedestrians to enjoy.

I have for the past thirty years, with the farmer's permission, ridden my horse, almost on a daily basis, up the field where the suggested diversion will be and over the years a lot more horse riders have also used this part of the field thanks to the generosity of the farmer. We will all be extremely upset to lose this pleasure.

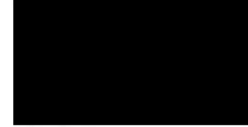
The existing footpath leads from one road to another on the other side of the village. If the route is to be diverted as suggested it will turn it into a march around a field rather than a route. In fact it will be quicker to walk the road rather than around the field to end up further along the same road. If this is to be the case, mightn't it be better to close this route altogether as there is no point in pedestrians walking up a field to just rejoin the same highway where there are no further footpath links.

Given the network of walking routes in and around Wrabness and the money spent in the not so distant past on this so little used footpath, rather than divert it might I suggest that it is closed altogether.

Yours faithfully

Helen Fulbeck

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Dear Ms Foster

I enclose a letter of objection from Helen Fulbeck who has unfortunately only just become aware of the proposals and has requested that I send a letter on her behalf. We are aware that the final date for objections has passed but under the circumstances I hope you will take her objection into consideration.

Yours Faithfully

Robert Hutley