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Dear Reader,

I am writing to object to plans to reroute footpath 244 as part of rail upgrades in the Saddleworth area.

I live locally, and use this footpath on a weekly basis. The footpath should be preserved as it has historic significance, which is particularly applicable to this village with an active historical society, local museum, many listed buildings, and frequent community efforts to preserve the history and village culture of Saddleworth (for example the rushcart festival).

The proposed rerouting of the footpath is significantly more unfriendly to users and does not have enough space for people travelling in opposite directions to pass, and I believe could not be made safe.

I support overall plans to improve the rail line and would like Network Rail to install the crossing bridge they previously were granted planning permission for. A bridge would preserve the historic footpath and would provide a safer crossing point than the rerouted footpath.

Yours sincerley,
Helen Barker

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