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Subject: Tackley Bridleway

I would like to object to the proposal to re route the bridleway at Tackley Station. As a local horse rider who uses the bridleway regularly (before its closure) I strongly object to the proposed route. It would be very dangerous as horses are flight animals and a high speed train heading , either towards or from behind a horse is very likely to generate their flight response and would cause a serious accident. I also believe that there was attempt to engage with local riders or indeed national associations such as the BHS (British Horse Society) who have some past experience of this sort of project. The proposed route covers some 1km of trackside path and therefore with the frequency of trains it is virtually guaranteed that you will meet a train at some point on that path. Local people will also use the path for walking and cycling adding to the hazards for horse riders. Also as a local equine related business owner I have experienced at first hand the worry for all the local riders towards this proposal. I STRONGLY urge you to think again about this proposal.

Regards

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