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REF: Network Rail Stalybridge to Diggle Order
Ruth Thompson
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Dear Sir
I want to very strongly state that I object to the proposals to access the TWAO works via Mill Lane/ Archer Street/Brookfields et al. For the construction of the new East bound platform on the new train station in Mossley.

I would like to make it clear that I am not against the new improvements to the line and new facilities. I also understand there will be some disruption in the area whilst this is being constructed.

*However Mill Lane is completely inappropriate as it is a very steep narrow one way road. Its lower section becomes one way and cannot tolerate larger vehicles because of a low bridge as stated in a road sign at the top of the hill stating UNSUITABLE FOR LARGE VEHICLES.
The width of the road means cars often mount pavements in order to pass each other daily with a blind corner at the top. The addition of construction traffic would make this road both unusable and dangerous for both drivers and pedestrians.
Mill lane is already heavily congested especially during school drop off and pick up times and forms part of the main safe walking route used by pupils. It is also the only access to the school. Construction activity would seriously compromise the safety of pupils and families as well as residents. The road is often closed if it snows.

I have family [redacted] and they remain in the dark as to what the plan will entail for the residents of this area.

Access and Egress surely should be part of a risk assessment for this project.
This small area was not built for large vehicles.
There is a junior school adjacent to Archer street on the 1 in 4 incline.
How can this be safe?

I implore you to revisit these plans to revise the reduction of risk to the residents of this area, school children, parents and staff.

Kind Regards
Ruth Thompson