

From: [REDACTED]
To: [TRANSPORTINFRASTRUCTURE](#)
Subject: Re: Formal Objection to the TransPennine Route Upgrade – Mossley Station
Date: 12 December 2025 11:10:10
Attachments: [REDACTED]

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to submit a formal objection to the proposed works associated with the Transpennine Route Upgrade (TRU) at and around Mossley Station. While I recognise the importance of investing in public transport infrastructure, the current proposals present serious, unresolved issues that will significantly and negatively affect local residents, businesses, and the wider community.

Below are my key concerns:

Loss of Parking & On-Street Congestion

Work vehicles are already occupying on-street parking, reducing the limited spaces available to residents. The proposal to permanently remove parking spaces outside our homes is unacceptable. Local streets do not have the capacity to absorb this loss.

Where are residents, particularly families with young children, disabled residents, or those with mobility issues, expected to park? Many homes have no alternative off-street parking, and the Council and TRU project have not provided a viable solution.

Increased Traffic

Traffic on Manchester Road is already at a standstill during weekday rush hours. Additional construction vehicles, diversions, and permanent changes to the road layout will only worsen congestion, making daily life in Mossley significantly more difficult.

Noise Pollution: Night Working & Weekend Disruption

Over the years, residents have been disturbed by on-site works, including heavy machinery, chainsaws, and, most recently, a cherry picker with bright floodlights shining directly into our homes. Although these incidents have been intermittent, they have already demonstrated how disruptive station-related activity can be. The proposed works suggest that such disturbances could become far more frequent, prolonged, and intense, potentially affecting residents' rest, well-being, and quality of life for years to come.

Loss of Privacy & Impact on the Character of the Area

Many homes directly overlook the station, and the proposed expansion and relocation of Mossley Station, particularly the removal of the historic wall along Manchester Road, will significantly reduce privacy for residents. These changes will introduce greater visibility

into our homes, increase noise and activity levels, and overshadow nearby properties, disrupting what is currently a quiet, close-knit residential area.

Such alterations risk permanently changing the character of Mossley, a town valued for its strong sense of community, heritage, and unique identity.

Damage to Properties

Our property already vibrates and shakes when trains pass, particularly in the cellar. Increasing the frequency and speed of trains by an extra 30mph creates a real risk of structural damage. There has been no clear explanation of how TRU will monitor, assess, or compensate for such damage.

Property Devaluation

The combined effect of increased noise, vibration, loss of parking, reduced privacy, and visual intrusion will inevitably lead to a decrease in property values. Residents should not bear the financial cost of a project they did not ask for, and that provides them with no meaningful benefit. What compensations will be put in place?

Loss of Trade & Impact on Local Businesses

Businesses near the station, pubs, bars, cafés, and shops rely heavily on footfall. With large sections of Mossley set to be blocked, fenced off, or made inaccessible during the works, these businesses will experience a significant loss of income. The community cannot afford to lose these local amenities. Not only this, but moving the station away from the centre of the town will also result in businesses being unable to survive, due to a drop in footfall.

Lack of Clear Information

From the outset, the communication surrounding this project has been inconsistent and unclear. Work has begun at times without residents being notified, and the information provided often contradicts earlier statements. This has eroded trust and left residents feeling ignored. From the initial meeting with TRU, this proved to be challenging to arrange, as many residents had their emails ignored, deadlines passed without residents being informed. Communication has been diabolical. I have attached emails from myself chasing a meeting with TRU.

Questionable Need for Additional Train Services

You state the intention to enable "up to two local services per hour (subject to future timetables)." Mossley already receives two trains per hour during peak times. There is no demonstrable need for more frequent or significantly faster trains, particularly when the cost to the community is so high. What I do agree on is the need to make the station accessible for all users; however, this can be done on the existing site.

Removal of Historic Structures

The proposal to demolish the centuries-old wall between the station and Manchester Road is deeply concerning. This wall is an important part of Mossley's heritage and has stood for hundreds of years. Destroying it for modern infrastructure disregards local history and risks further eroding the town's identity.

Inadequate Compensation

Despite the scale of disruption and the long-term impacts this project will have on residents and businesses, no compensation has been discussed, offered, or guaranteed. This lack of clarity and support is unacceptable, especially for those most directly affected. Residents have received no reassurance that they will be protected from financial loss, property impacts, or ongoing disruption.

Anti-Social Behaviour

There is already a persistent issue with anti-social behaviour around Mossley Station. Increasing the station footprint, passenger numbers, and late-night activity without providing additional safeguarding measures will exacerbate an already challenging situation for residents living directly adjacent to the new proposed station.

The TransPennine Route Upgrade, as currently proposed for Mossley Station, fails to adequately consider the needs, well-being, and rights of local residents and businesses. The project threatens to cause irreversible harm to the character, safety, and liveability of our community.

For these reasons, I strongly object to the project in its current form and request that all proposals affecting Mossley be reviewed, redesigned, or reconsidered to provide proper mitigation, protection, and meaningful engagement with the community.

I ask that this objection be formally recorded and acknowledged with a response.

Yours faithfully,
Kristen Lee - Mottershead

Owner and resident of [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: transpennineengagement@networkrail.co.uk
Subject: Re: Stalybridge to Diggle (Saddleworth) Scheme

Hello,

It's really frustrating, this is the fourth email I have now sent, to reach out to arrange a meeting with you. I'm really concerned that you are cherry picking certain residents to speak to regarding the TRU. Other residents on the street I have spoken to have either already had their meeting or have one scheduled. Every homeowner on Manchester Road is entitled to voice their concerns. With a short window to book a meeting, I would have expected this inbox to be monitored closely.

I'd appreciate a response at your earliest convenience.

Regards,
Kristen

On 30 Jul 2025, at 16:06, Kristen Lee - Mottershead
[REDACTED] wrote:

Hi,

I'm following up for the third time regarding booking a meeting for this Friday. As of today, I've still not received confirmation of a time slot, and I would appreciate urgent clarification so I can make the necessary arrangements.

Please confirm the meeting time as soon as possible.

I look forward to your prompt response.

Best regards,
Kristen Lee - Mottershead

On 29 Jul 2025, at 09:47, Kristen Lee - Mottershead
[REDACTED] wrote:

Hello,

I'm chasing up on my below email, if you could please confirm

the day and time is suitable for yourselves that would be great, as both myself and my partner need to make arrangements around work.

Many Thanks,
Kristen Lee - Mottershead

On 27 Jul 2025, at 19:34, Kristen Lee - Mottershead
[REDACTED] wrote:

To whom it may concern,

I'm emailing to book an appointment slot to discuss the relocation of Mossley train station and the implications it will have on my property.

The only available date both my partner and myself are available is Friday 1st August, we are happy to do this via a Teams call anytime after 6pm.

Yours Sincerely,

Kristen Lee - Mottershead
[REDACTED]