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Good afternoon,

I am writing to register my strong objection to Network Rail's proposal to close the ancient Moorgate footpath as part of the Stalybridge to Diggle TWA Order.

I am deeply disappointed that Network Rail is attempting to extinguish a historic right of way rather than commit to a safe, practical, and long-term solution. That solution is not to walk further along a dangerous, poorly lit road where cars often speed, to a crossing nowhere near the original path.

Public safety and the preservation of centuries-old community access should not be dismissed on the basis of financial convenience, particularly when the alternative is to sever a well-used and much-loved route that has connected our community for generations. A non departmental government body should be working toward a solution that fits the project AND the community it serves.

Closing the Moorgate footpath would endanger residents by forcing them onto longer, less safe routes, while also erasing part of our local heritage. It is the duty of Network Rail to ensure that improvements do not come at the expense of community safety or historic access rights. A properly designed footbridge is the responsible solution, and the community should not be expected to accept anything less.

I urge the Department for Transport to reject Network Rail's short-termism that has plagued public projects & uphold English heritage.

Please register this as my formal objection to the closure of the Moorgate footpath.

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Yours,

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