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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to submit a formal objection to the proposed Transpennine Route Upgrade (TRU) works as outlined in the recent Transport and Works Act (TWA) Order submission. As a resident of Manchester Road, I wish to raise serious concerns regarding the consultation process, the lack of consideration of alternative options, and the significant personal and community impacts the proposed works will have.

The communication between TRU and affected residents has been wholly inadequate. Engagement has only taken place following a residents' meeting in which local people expressed their frustration regarding the lack of prior consultation and the extent to which these works will disrupt our daily lives. During these discussions, representatives from TRU openly stated that, as Manchester Road is not considered to be directly impacted by the proposed scheme, it is therefore not their concern. This assertion is both inaccurate and dismissive. In reality, TRU has proposed the installation of a new crossing directly outside neighbouring properties and the removal of residents' parking spaces—both of which constitute a clear and direct impact on the local community. Furthermore, TRU has failed to take all viable options into consideration for the proposed crossing, nor have they provided or proposed any suitable alternative arrangements for displaced parking. This demonstrates a disregard for the needs and circumstances of those directly affected by the works and raises serious questions about the fairness and adequacy of the consultation process.

Neither Network Rail nor TRU provided residents with adequate prior notice of works undertaken before the submission of the TWA application. This is inconsistent with the consultation duties set out under the **Transport and Works Act 1992** and the accompanying **Transport and Works (Applications and Objections Procedure) (England and Wales) Rules 2006**, which require that affected parties be properly informed and given a fair opportunity to comment prior to the submission of an application. In addition, Network Rail's own **Stakeholder Engagement Policy** and **Code of Practice on Consultation** commit to early, transparent, and meaningful engagement with those likely to be impacted by its works. The failure to uphold these obligations has significantly undermined residents' confidence in both the consultation process and the integrity of the scheme.

I have provided evidence of the recent work carried out over the weekend of the 15th November 2025, which residences were not informed prior of these works & Network Rail has not included on any of their public facing forums.

In light of the above, I respectfully request that this objection be formally acknowledged and that the issues raised are fully considered before any decision is made regarding the approval of the TRU proposals. I further request that the Department for Transport ensure compliance with the statutory consultation requirements under the Transport and Works Act 1992, and that TRU and Network Rail are directed to engage in meaningful, transparent, and inclusive dialogue with affected residents to identify acceptable

alternatives.

Yours faithfully,
Kimberley Hourigan

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17th November 2025





