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Dear Rob,

Thank you for your letter regarding the closure of Suggitt's Lane Level Crossing.

I appreciate the letter and follow up meeting with your colleagues. However, I wish to raise a couple of errors in what I have been informed.

First of all, no freight trains travel on the section of track that will be impacted by the closure. This railway is used solely for passenger trains. Secondly, trains do not travel up to 60mph. As the speed limit signs clearly state, they travel at a maximum of 25mph.

I understand North East Lincolnshire Council has issued a formal objection and I would like to associate myself with the concerns they have raised.

I welcome the fact that there will be a public consultation but bearing in mind the long distance pedestrians will have to travel to get across the line, I feel that closure is an extreme measure.

Could additional safety precautions be incorporated to the existing infrastructure to make keeping the crossing open viable?

I would appreciate it if you could provide me with your comments and look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Martin'.

Martin Vickers MP
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