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Dear Sir/Madam,

Charfield station

Railfuture is Britain's leading and longest-established national independent voluntary organisation campaigning exclusively for a better railway across a bigger network for passengers, and freight users, to support economic (housing and productivity) growth, environmental improvement and better-connected communities.

We seek to influence decision makers at local, regional and national levels to implement pro-rail policies in transport and development planning.

Q1 Are you responding...? Please tick all that apply.
...as a voluntary, community sector organisation

Q2 If you are responding on behalf of a parish, town, district or county council, please state which:
n/a

Q3 To what extent do you support the *principle* of a new station in Charfield?
Very supportive.

Q4 What facilities at the station are important to you? Please tick all that apply.
Car parking / Electric vehicle charging points / Bus stop / Covered seating/shelters / Covered cycle parking / Taxi rank / Step free access / Emergency telephone contact point / Real time train information

Q5 How likely is it that you would use the station?
Very likely.

Q6 What, if anything, would make you more likely to use the station?
Minimum regular half-hourly services in each direction throughout the day, every day.

Q7 If you were to use the station where would you be likely to travel to or from? Please tick all that apply.
Bristol Parkway / Bristol Temple Meads / Gloucester / Cheltenham / Bath / Weston-super-Mare / Cardiff / Worcester / Birmingham / Somerset/Devon/Cornwall / London/South East / Other If other, please state: mainland Europe, via London St. Pancras International.

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Q8 For what purpose would you use Charfield station? Please tick all that apply.

Travelling to and from work

Education (e.g. travelling to and from school/college/university campus)

Visiting friends and family

To access town and city centres

For leisure/tourism (e.g. day trips or events)

Other If other, please state: business travel

Q9 How do you normally travel for each of the following? Tick the mode of travel most frequently used. If your journey involves more than one type of transport, please select the one you use for the longest distance.

To and from work Car or van (as driver)

Education (e.g. travel to school/college/university campus) Car or van (as driver)

Visiting friends and family Car or van (as driver)

Accessing town and city centres Car or van (as driver)

Leisure and tourism Car or van (as driver)

Q10 If you were to use Charfield Station, how would you most likely travel to and from the station?

Car or van (as a driver)

Q11 Referring to the proposals which you can view on our consultation page, to what extent do you support the designs for the scheme?

Very supportive.

Q12 Is there anything you particularly like about the proposals?

The objectives for the scheme as given in the FAQs response to 'Why Charfield needs a new railway station' (• Improve access to the rail network • Improve access to jobs, education and a range of services and facilities • Have at least one train every hour in each direction • Help reduce congestion on key roads by encouraging rail travel • Have a more resilient transport network with shorter, more reliable journey times • Support the recovery of the wider economy • Help the council and the combined authority achieve carbon neutrality by 2030 • Improve transport links to Bristol North Fringe, Bristol City Centre, Filton Enterprise Area, Temple Quay Enterprise Zone, Yate and Gloucester • Help mitigate some of the impacts of recent development in the area • Protect, and where possible, enhance local employment opportunities • Make a positive contribution to social wellbeing, life opportunities and improving quality of life in the area).

Q13 Is there anything you particularly dislike about the proposals?

No.

Q14 Please provide any further comments you may have on the proposals.

Inserting even one never mind two station stops per hour each way will affect route capacity and may require expenditure additional to the station itself for signalling improvements.

Yours faithfully,

Roger Blake BA, MRTPI (Rtd), MTPS

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