

Campaigning for better services over a bigger rail network

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Dear Sir / Madam,

London Liverpool Street station upgrade

Railfuture is Britain's leading and longest-established independent national voluntary organisation campaigning exclusively for a better railway across a bigger network for passenger 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 prorail policies in development and transport planning.

We offer our response to your consultation below.

Help us as we develop the proposals further

1. What do you think of our plans for the public spaces at Liverpool Street station? Broadly welcome.

2. What sort of retail offer would be useful to you at the station, e.g. coffee shops, food stores, clothes shops, gift shops. Coffee shops, restaurant, food stores, newsagent / bookshop.

3. Having viewed the proposals for an upgraded station, new leisure spaces and gardens, what most interests you about the project? Larger, more accessible concourse.

4. Is there anything else you would like us to know? Retention of familiar features important for public acceptability.

Feedback on our vision

1. How would you describe your relationship with Liverpool Street station (Tick all that apply) I live in or near The City / My work is based in or near The City / I commute through the station / I use the station for leisure travel / Other (please specify) Organisation which I represent has members with multiple uses of the station.

2. Do you agree that the existing station needs upgrading? Yes.

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3. Please tell us what is important to you? Very important / Important / Neutral / Not important / Not important at all

- ~ Increasing the size of the concourse: Very important.
- ~ Increasing the number of ticket barriers: Important.
- ~ Improving permeability by creating new entrances to the station: Very important.
- ~ Retaining the hotel's external facades and the Victorian train sheds: Very important.
- ~ Refreshing the station's leisure and retail offer: Important.
- ~ More public spaces and gardens that are open for all to enjoy: Important.
- ~ Improving connectivity to the surrounding area: Very important.
- ~ Pedestrianising Liverpool Street: Important.
- ~ Sustainability and measures to improve local air-quality and biodiversity: Very important.

 \sim Accessibility, improving provision to enable step-free environments for all that require: Very important.

~ Ensuring the station remains open during construction works: Very important.

~ Funding the improvements by developing a commercial building above the station, rather than through fare rises or central government funding: Very important.

Yours faithfully,

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