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Dear GMCA,

Places for Everyone

Railfuture is Britain's leading and longest-established national independent 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 pro-rail policies in development and transport planning.

Q1 Yes, I understand that my response will be published with my full name and my details passed to the planning inspector, and I have read and understood the Privacy Notice.

Q2 I am over the age of 13.

Q3 I work for an organisation and am submitting this response on its behalf.

Q4 The contact details of the person completing this consultation response:

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Q6 I am happy for the Planning Inspector to use my details to invite me to the Examination in Public.

We wish to participate in the hearing session(s), and consider this to be necessary to update the Inspector with the very latest available information and clarify any matters of concern.

The options about keeping in touch at different stages of the plan:

When the document is submitted for independent examination? Yes

When the inspector's report is published? Yes

When the local plan is adopted? Yes

www.railfuture.org.uk www.railfuturescotland.org.uk www.railfuturewales.org.uk
www.railwatch.org.uk

16. We recognise that some people want to upload some supporting information. You can upload up to 5 documents per response: <https://www.raifuture.org.uk/display2618> with a revised diagram for page 5 <https://www.raifuture.org.uk/display2631>, and also <https://www.raifuture.org.uk/display2302>

17. We also recognise that some people might want to add a link to a personal website as an additional supporting information: <https://www.raifuture.org.uk/article1855-Relieving-Castlefield>

Vision

18. Our Vision

Considering the information provided for our vision, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound

Justified? Sound

Consistent with national policy? Sound

Effective? Sound

Legally compliant? Yes

In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

19. Our strategic objectives

Below are each of the ten strategic objectives of this plan.

Considering the information provided for our strategic objectives, please tick which of these objectives, your written comment refers to.

- 1. Meet our housing need
- 2. Create neighbourhoods of choice
- 3. Ensure a thriving and productive economy in the districts involved
- 4. Maximise the potential arising from our national and international assets
- 5. Reduce inequalities and improve prosperity
- 6. Promote the sustainable movement of people, goods and information
- 7. Ensure that districts involved are more resilient and carbon neutral
- 8. Improve the quality of our natural environment and access to green spaces
- 9. Ensure access to physical and social infrastructure
- 10. Promote the health and wellbeing of communities

Positively prepared? Sound

Justified? Sound

Consistent with national policy? Sound

Effective? Sound

Legally compliant? Yes

In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

Strategy

20. Our spatial strategy

Considering the information provided for our spatial strategy, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

21. Core Growth Area

Considering the information provided for our policy on Core Growth Area, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

24. Port Salford

Considering the information provided for our policy on Port Salford, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

29. Southern Areas

Considering the information provided for our policy on Southern Areas, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

31. New Carrington

Considering the information provided for our policy on New Carrington, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

34. A sustainable and integrated transport network

Considering the information provided for our policy on a sustainable and integrated transport network, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

Sustainable and Resilient Places

40. Clean air

Considering the information provided for our policy on clean air, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified?
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

Places for Jobs

42. Supporting long-term economic growth

Considering the information provided for our policy on supporting long-term economic growth, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

43. Employment sites and premises

Considering the information provided for our policy on employment sites and premises, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

45. Industry and warehousing development

Considering the information provided for our policy on industry and warehousing development, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

Connected Places

68. An Integrated Network

Considering the information provided for our policy on our integrated network, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

70. Our public transport

Considering the information provided for our policy on our public transport, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

73. Freight and logistics

Considering the information provided for our policy on freight and logistics, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

Trafford

108. Trafford - JPA 33: New Carrington

Considering the information provided for JPA 33: New Carrington, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

See our April 2020, revised August 2020, report "*The Freight Solution to the Castlefield problem, including the Business Case for a new route and western access to Trafford Park*" and our 11 March 2021 response to the draft Trafford Local Plan.

Delivering The Plan

113. Infrastructure implementation

Considering the information provided for our spatial strategy, please respond to the questions below

Positively prepared? Sound
Justified? Sound
Consistent with national policy? Sound
Effective? Sound
Legally compliant? Yes
In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate? Yes

Yours faithfully,

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