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Dear Sir or Madam,

East Coast Main Line Level Crossing Closures Feasibility Study

Network Rail's National Level Crossing Risk Reduction Programme's aim is to close level crossings where possible to make the railway safer for both road and rail users, as well as communities living close to the railway. As part of this programme, we are committing £96m of investment over the next four years to reduce the risk of accidents at level crossings, in addition to the 25% reduction in risk achieved between 2009 and 2014.

In addition, as part of our commitment to improve connectivity on the East Coast Main Line, we carried out a thorough feasibility study and public consultation to consider the closure of level crossings between London and Doncaster and we would now like to update you on our current findings.

The results of the survey were extremely helpful and we would like to re-iterate our appreciation to all those who contributed. The results have allowed us to develop a preferred option for each crossing and a detailed understanding of the steps that would be required to close them, as well as the impact these closures would have on the communities around them.

Based on the information we have gathered, we have decided not to go ahead with a single programme of level crossing closures. Instead we will take a case-by-case approach, looking to close level crossings as part of other planned improvement work over the next five-year funding period (2019-2024) and beyond, or where an opportunity for closure becomes apparent due to development activity in surrounding areas.

It is our intention, where possible, to update you towards the end of this year on which level crossings may be subject to further work with a view to closure. In the meantime if you have any questions, please contact the Network Rail National Helpline on **03457 11 41 41** or by emailing CRNE@networkrail.co.uk quoting 'East Coast Main Line Level Crossing Closures'.

Yours faithfully,

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Mark Tarry
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