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Dear Paul,

I am writing further to the email I sent to you on the 5th June regarding the residents of Brookland Drive, Lime Grove Avenue, Dale Lane and Holkham Avenue. A copy of my email is enclosed and I am yet to receive a response.

You will know that residents along this stretch of the tram route in Chilwell have been waiting to have their fences and gardens fully reinstated for a great deal longer than they should have. They were also promised a full meeting with TWA, NET and Tramlink earlier this year but this has never happened.

It is now apparent that the works in the area have come to a standstill and residents have received no communication whatsoever from TWA to let them know what is going in. I hope you will agree that this is unacceptable and I would like a meeting as a matter of urgency to receive a full update on the situation.

I am also enclosing an email I wrote to Matthew Dalton from TWA, copying you in, regarding claims for damages caused to a shop on Chilwell High Road. This also hasn't been responded to. Since receiving this email I have received similar complaints from other traders along Chilwell High Road. Copies of their emails are enclosed.

Traders in this part of Beeston have faced serious hardship and disruption over the past two years; most of which went far beyond the limited disturbance they were promised before the tram works started. Inevitably some shop frontages have been damaged during the works, which often went on less than two feet from their entrance.

It is clear from the enclosed emails that traders are now being told by TWA that they are either unable to claim or must seek reparations from subcontractors. Given the disruption mentioned above, I am disappointed that this is the case. As you may appreciate, traders are now preparing for when the tram finally arrives but many feel that they are unable to complete their own refurbishments without this situation being sorted.

Rt. Hon. Anna Soubry, Member of Parliament for Broxtowe

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As mentioned above I would like an urgent meeting to discuss these points and I am copying in Cllr Jon Collins, Chris Deas, Phil Hewitt and the new Leader of Broxtowe Borough Council, Richard Jacskon, as I will also be asking them to attend.

If you would be so good as to contact my office on 0115 9436507, a member of my team will assist in finding a suitable date and time for us to meet.

With best wishes,



Rt. Hon. Anna Soubry MP

Enc. Email to Paul Harris, 5th June.
Email to Matthew Dalton, 10th June
Emails from Chilwell Road traders, 10th- 11th June