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Date: 22nd October 2015

Dear Anna,

Re: NET Extension Feasibility Study

I refer to your recent letter dated 17th October regarding further NET extensions.

The recently completed Kimberley Extension study, funded by Broxtowe Borough Council, clearly provides some useful technical information regarding potential route options to extend NET from Phoenix Park towards Kimberley and Eastwood. The report however only covers technical aspects and before any firm decision can be made on the viability of a Kimberley route further work would be required, particularly with regard to key business case issues such as economic benefits, potential patronage and funding options.

At this stage however I am keen to take stock of what we have achieved so far and consider on a conurbation wide basis what benefits further tram extensions may bring. This includes giving full consideration to the potential implications of an HS2 stop at Toton. This is in accordance with the objectives of the D2N2 LEP. I expect progress will be made on this matter in the next few months.

In accordance with good practice when delivering major infrastructure projects I can confirm that a NET Phase Two lessons learnt exercise will be completed, in a manner consistent with government guidance, to inform future decision making.

Yours sincerely



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