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Our ref: TP/LNE/2009-032  
Your Ref:

Dear Sir/Madam,

## **Planning Consent for replacement of level crossing with new footbridge and walkway, Bolton on Dearne**

Please find enclosed the requisite plans and application form for planning consent for the erection of a footbridge and walkway at Bolton on Dearne station, to replace the current foot crossing at the station. Normally such structures would be permitted under Part 11 of the Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 subject to certain conditions but in this instance the works extend beyond the limits of deviation of the enabling Act. Accordingly a full application is being made for the works. This application follows one recently withdrawn (2008/1178). Further discussion with the planning authority has led to a modified scheme, specifically in relation to the construction of the walkway through the woodland known as Abson's Wood. The revised scheme shows a lesser degree of slope of walkway alongside Lowfield Road, with an indicative landscaping strategy for the area. In addition a flight of stairs has been included from Lowfield Road bridge to the "up" (Sheffield-bound) platform as requested, to improve accessibility from the new housing developments proposed to the east.

Please find enclosed the following plans:

Location plan (1:1250)  
Drawing B50034 – 210 Revision A - Existing General Arrangement  
Drawing B50034 – 211 Revision A - Proposed General Arrangement  
Drawing B50034 – 212 Revision A - Proposed Sections  
Drawing B50034 – 213 Revision A - Proposed Details  
Drawing B50034 – 901 – Landscaping details

Design & Access Statement (including construction detail and management of the woodland)

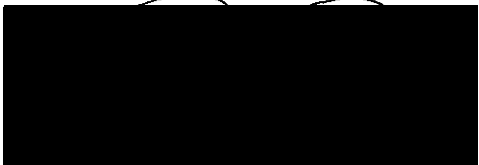
Tree Survey (April 2009)

Landscape Management Plan

Ecology Report with confirmation statement on bats. Although reference is made to the possibility of bats in the Lowfield Road bridge no physical work is to be carried out on that structure.

As this application follows a recently withdrawn application for the same proposal no fee is payable in this instance.

Please let me know if you require any further information. I look forward in due course to receiving an acknowledgement that the application is deemed valid.



~~Tony Rivero~~  
**Senior Town Planner LNE**