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Dear Radcliffe on Trent Parish Councillors

Re: Radcliffe Rail Survey

I am writing to update you on the work I've been doing to try and get an improved train service at Radcliffe-on-Trent station.

I approached neighbouring MPs Alicia Kearns and Gareth Davies whose constituencies would also benefit from an improved train service on the line and secured their support for a joint bid to the Restoring Your Railways Fund which was launched earlier this year by the Department of Transport and aims to restore local train services.

Working with them, and with Rushcliffe Borough Council, I have developed and submitted a proposal to the latest tranche of the fund.

I have also met with the Rail Minister, Chris Heaton-Harris MP, to discuss my proposal. He believes there may be a quicker route open to securing more frequent services and has arranged for me to meet with the Passenger Services team at the Department for Transport to look at this option.

In the meantime, you may be interested to know that a Radcliffe Rail Survey is soon to be delivered to every household in Radcliffe on Trent. The survey can be posted, emailed or filled in online at <u>https://www.ruthedwards.org.uk/radcliffe-rail-survey</u>. My aim is to get as many responses as possible so that I can build the most powerful case possible to both Government and East Midlands Railway for an improved train service. I would really appreciate it if you could fill the survey in and encourage your friends and neighbours to do so too.

I will continue to keep you up to date on the issue, however, please do not hesitate to contact me in the meantime if I can be of any help.

Best wishes

Ruth

Ruth Edwards MP Member of Parliament for Rushcliffe