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The Secretary of State for Transport  
Department for Transport  
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Your Ref.TWA/10/APP/01/OBJ/100

Dear Sir,  
Re. EVERGREEN 3. CHILTERN RAILWAYS (BICESTER TO OXFORD  
IMPROVEMENTS) ORDER PROPOSED ISLIP CROSSING  
EQUESTRIAN/PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE WORK.

Further to my letter of 06/02/10 I wish to inform you that I do not wish to appear at the enquiry but would like my written objections to be considered. My additional objections are as follows

1. There have been developments since February, most notably the introduction of consideration of a pedestrian underpass rather than a bridge as a crossing at Islip: this seems far preferable, as its effect on the rural setting of Islip will be much less, though it does not seem to have been fully considered.
2. Should the inquiry find in favour of the construction of the proposed bridge then it is important that Chiltern should be obliged to ameliorate its impact on neighbouring properties at least by tree planting on the eastern, southern and northern aspects of the proposed bridge and its approach embankments, similar to that illustrated in the Chiltern Railways Evergreen document 'Islip Mill Lane Level Crossing Replacement Alternatives Report' Photomontage 4. It is noted that the photomontage depicts a summer scene 10 years after construction but the structure will have much bigger effects in the winter and in the interim. Screening of adjacent properties to prevent overlooking from the bridge is essential.
3. The impact of train noise on the village seems to be discounted by Chiltern Railways in its submission and any amelioration measures are dismissed as being worse than the noise itself. There are means of minimizing the noise of high speed trains and these should be implemented at the approaches to and in the village.

I support the current position of Islip Parish Council in its efforts to find the best solution for the village to the problems posed by this project,

Yours Sincerely  
David R. Davies