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The Rt. Hon. Grant Shapps M.P.

Secretary of State for the
Department for Transport
Great Minister House
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Dear Grant,

Proposed station at Beam Park

I am writing to you regarding the new proposed railway station at Beam Park. The new Beam Park station is anticipated to unlock the construction of 5,500 new homes at Beam Park and neighbouring plots (of which 1,686 will be affordable).

If they cannot be built here on brownfield land, pressure will mount to build them in the green belt where they will be much less welcome. I would like to make clear that a decision to build the station will be popular in the whole community, and particularly among those who have already put down deposits on new homes near the station.

The economic and social benefits of this project are clear: new transport connectivity, carbon emissions cuts from more people using the railway, 5,500 new homes, land value uplift, reduced crime levels, and more jobs for my constituents. Building the station at Beam Park will show that the Government is committed to levelling up in all parts of the country and that it shares my desire to revive Romford.

It would be highly appreciated if you and your Ministers could work with the Greater London Assembly to overcome some sticking points which have arisen, namely your Department not wanting to underwrite the viability of the station ten years from now. Our Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Boris Johnson M.P., also committed himself to building this station when he was Mayor of London and we should see its construction as the fulfilment of that pledge.

I look forward to your close consideration of this matter.

With every good wish.

Yours ever,

Andrew Rosindell M.P.