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To: [Joanna Vincent](#)
Subject: Re: Cambridge Re-Signalling - Bar Charts [GATELEY-GHAM.FID110753]
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Hi Joanna,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

I'm not sure we have seen the shepreth data as raw as that before.

From that data it seems that a typical train would create a 169 second block, with the slow trains creating a longer 261s block of down time, 4minutes 21.

There are 4 slow trains an hour in the morning, pre covid they changed the slow trains to every 30 minutes all day and they may do that again.

So I can't see how you can then use the 169 second median which is derived from another station when it looks like the standard minimum at shepreth is 169 seconds.

The other issue is that Meldreth Road is a different location. It is understood to be on a similar system, but I have not seen the schematics to verify how the system works. The 261 second south bound train that is assumed as a stopper will take longer to then clear the Meldreth Road level crossing.

What I want to see is a study questioning if these times can be improved by moving the signals? As it seems that there is very little wiggle room for expansion or indeed train delay or error that creates truly excessive delays over 10 minutes (although 4 minutes 21 seconds is excessive to me when you're standing there looking at nothing).

Fundamental to this is the variety of lengths of time making it much harder to plan journeys and leads to user frustration.

Best Regards

Roger

On Mon, 24 Apr 2023 at 09:30, Joanna Vincent <Joanna.Vincent@gateleyhamer.com> wrote:

The Inspector asked the Applicant to submit to the Inquiry the AM and PM Barrier Down Time Charts for Meldreth Road Crossing and Waterbeach Crossing, assuming the barrier down times set out in Table 5.1 of the Modelling Methodology Report and the AM and PM Barrier Down Time Charts for Shepreth Crossing as it is currently in operation as a MCB-CCTV crossing. The Inspector is willing to accept brief comments (a maximum of a 1000 words) on these Charts from objectors who spoke at the Inquiry. These comments should be submitted to the Programme

Officer by 9.00am on 1st May 2023. The Applicant will then be given the opportunity to respond in writing to any comments made.

Kind regards

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