

## Questions submitted to Council by Members of the Public 2019/20

Question Reference	Date submitted to Council	Question and further information
Item 15 Annual Council	22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2019	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Question submitted by Kate Heasman directed to the Leader of the Council</u></p> <p><i>A significant number of councils along the proposed HS2 route have written to the Government urging Ministers to halt all work on HS2 amid warnings of the destruction being caused to communities. I have attached a letter from Buckinghamshire County Council for your information. They have requested that HS2 be banned from carrying out further work, including ground investigations, demolitions and construction of access roads until the end of the year when ministers are due to decide on issuing a formal 'Notice to Proceed' to HS2 Ltd. (which was previously due to be issued in June).</i></p> <p><i>It is important that this district, which it has been acknowledged, will be a 'net loser' from HS2, seeks written assurances that no preliminary works, removal of trees, hedgerows and demolitions of properties takes place within its boundaries until such time as formal 'Notice to Proceed' has been given to HS2 Ltd. by the Government.</i></p> <p><i>To this end, would Bolsover District Council write to the Secretary of State for Transport, Chris Grayling, the Secretary of State for the Environment and HS2 Ltd asking to gain written confirmation of such assurances for its residents and in support of fellow councils?</i></p>