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Dear Sir,

**THE GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL (CELTIC PARK AND EMIRATES ARENA)
(EVENT DAY EMERGENCY ROUTES AND PARKING ZONE) ORDER 201_**

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Further to your email dated 22 January 2020, with respect to the above orders, we have been asked by the reporters to contact you further following the pre-hearing meetings which have now been held.

At the pre-hearing meetings, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) confirmed that it would be sending representatives to give evidence at the hearings. The role of SPT is envisaged as providing a strategic overview of the existing public rail and bus network, and its evidence is likely to be very helpful to the reporters' examination of the overall capacity of the existing bus and rail network to accommodate people affected by the introduction of parking restrictions.

However, SPT considers that evidence relating to the pressure on the specific rail and bus infrastructure (raised within the representations) resulting from the orders would be best addressed by the commercial rail and bus operators. This view was also held by other parties who will be participating in the hearing.

The reporters are keen to obtain the best evidence available, in order to assess the capacity of the existing public transport infrastructure to accommodate people affected by the proposed parking restrictions, including the consideration of any proposed public transport improvements.

The reporters would therefore be grateful if you would reconsider your position, and advise whether or not, in the light of the information set out above, you would be willing to provide representatives on behalf of Scotrail to give evidence at the hearings. A webcast of the pre-hearing meetings and a note of matters arising from the meetings is (or will be) available on the hearing website.

The reporters recognise that Scotrail could provide evidence by written submissions, but in the circumstances this would not be as efficient, as issues are likely to arise during the discussion at the hearing upon which Scotrail's response might be needed.

We would be grateful for your response on this matter in the next 14 days.

Yours Sincerely,

Programme Officer Team