

## **HARLTON PARISH COUNCIL EAST WEST RAIL UPDATE 6<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

Ben Banks and Isabel Robinson attended a Cambridge Approaches meeting on 24th November.

It was noted that a huge number of surveys that East West Rail are conducting follow the Alternative Corridor 4 which comes very close to Harlton and Haslingfield. This is a worrying development, but we have to wait and see if EWR publish this as their preferred route early next year. There was a compelling presentation by Sebastian Kindersley (CamBedRailRoad) about an alternative and sensible solution for the railway to approach Cambridge via Northstowe.

Cambridge Approaches spoke about the many unresolved issues that they have put to EWR (bats, freight, noise, lack of cohesion with the Local Plan, ropery cost-benefit analysis).

Cambridge Approaches endorsed CamBedRailRoad's petition which can be found here:

<https://www.change.org/p/secretary-of-state-for-transport-northern-rail-route-should-be-evaluated-equally-alongside-ewr-s-current-proposals-d7bd2f1f-7675-41de-b072-161074cfdeef?redirect=false>

This is call for a fair assessment of all EWR routes into Cambridge. Please sign it to demonstrate our support for a railway that serves the growing population areas (Cambourne and Northstowe) of Cambridgeshire.

For further information on the update including a link to the CamBedRail Road petition, visit Harlton Parish Council's website page ([harltonvillage.org.uk](http://harltonvillage.org.uk)) or [cambridgeapproaches.org](http://cambridgeapproaches.org)