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Your Ref: LH/HO

Councillor Leo Hammond  
Wolds Weighton Ward  
East Riding of Yorkshire Council  
County Hall  
Beverley  
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Dear Councillor Hammond

**Re-Opening of the Beverley to York Railway Line**

Further to your letter of 12 February, I would like to confirm the college's support for the proposal to re-open the Beverley to York railway line.

As a specialist land-based college, Bishop Burton College recruits both regionally and nationally. The proposed railway line would provide much improved access for students and particularly for those from our York catchment area. A rail link of this kind would also reduce the volume of traffic on the A1079 providing commuters with a much greener means of accessing the college. The college already runs a shuttle bus service to and from Beverley railway station.

The majority of the college's students fall into the 16-19 age category and only a small majority are car drivers. The proposed railway line would therefore be a very welcome addition to East Yorkshire's public transport network from the college's perspective.

Yours sincerely



Bill Meredith  
Chief Executive and Principal