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Dear Julie

### **Rail North Committee**

I refer to your email dated 20<sup>th</sup> October in response to the concerns raised by Cllr Hale at the most recent Transport for the North Board meeting.

The north and south banks of the Humber are no longer considered a single entity; the Humber LEP no longer exists and there are no formal joint working arrangements in place between the Local Authorities which would support joint representation on the RNC.

The Unitary Leaders of the four Local Authorities have met and are in agreement that due to the different geographies, differing populations and being served by two parts of the rail network with minimal interaction or overlap that separate representation for the north and south bank of the Humber is required. We fully appreciate this may require a different voting balance with split responsibilities, but we feel as the issue is about both Regions, having a seat at the Rail North table this would not be an issue.

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Transport for the North must stay reactive to politically, geographical and community changes and we welcome further discussion with you on this basis.

Yours sincerely,



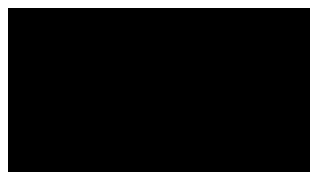
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