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Dear Mr Bradley

Information request

Reference number: FOI2018/00183

Thank you for your request of 11 February 2018. You requested the following information:

'I would like to request information in relation to the Signal Box at Halifax Station.

Information as to whenever or not the proposed/demolition of this structure that was/is to be demolished as part of the Halifax Re-signalling Scheme, is still to go ahead?

Whenever or not Network Rail will be applying for listed building consent to demolish this building, due to it being within the curtilage of the 1855 Station building that was listed on the 19th November 1980, Historic England LEN: (1259136) that also formed the same address of this building until it was disposed off by British Rail in December 1985.'

I have processed your request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs); this is because the information you have requested falls within the definition of 'environmental information' in regulation 2(c) of the EIRs. Section 39 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) exempts environmental information from the FOIA and requires us to consider it under the EIRs instead.

In response to your questions, I can advise that at the time of your request, we do not intend to apply for listed building consent to demolish the signal box at Halifax station.

As part of the Huddersfield to Bradford re-signalling project, we are in discussion with Calderdale Council to seek an alternative use for the signal box once it is decommissioned. In the event an alternative use cannot be found for the signal box on its current site, it may be an option to seek consent for removal to another location if one can be found; any relocation would be subject to feasibility, including discussion with the local planning authority.

If you have any enquiries about this response, please contact me in the first instance at FOI@networkrail.co.uk or on 01908 782405. Details of your appeal rights are below.

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Yours sincerely

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Information Officer

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