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Dear Mr Martin

Information request
Reference number: FOI2017/00980

Thank you for your request of 15th August 2017. You requested the following information:

I would like a full list of works that have taken already place as part of the electrification of the Midland Mainline on the route between Kettering and Beeston stations.

For each site where work has been carried out I would like a description of the work carried out, the date the work was completed - or stopped - and the full cost of each particular intervention.

The relevant legislation

I have processed your request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR) as the information requested is environmental according to the definition in regulation 2 of the EIR (section 39 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) exempts environmental information from the FOIA, but requires us to consider it under the EIR).

Electrification of Midland Mainline - Kettering to Beeston

I can confirm that we hold some of the information you requested.

The table below provides a list of all works that have been undertaken north of Kettering. The works were all road over rail bridges that have been re-constructed which would have enabled the electrification wires to pass safely under the bridge.

I can confirm that no other work was under taken as part of the Midland Mainline Electrification programme on this section of railway and all the works that were undertaken are complete.

Goodes Bridge, Under Hill Bridge, Bowleys and Nottingham Road were all completed earlier this year. The remainder were completed before the pause of electrification in 2015.

Bridge Name	Railway mileage from London	Postcode
Bridle Road Bridge	75.1364	NN14 1RJ
Bridleway to Pipewell	75.1540	NN14 1RG
Station Bridge Kibworth	88.1650	LE8 0NX
Brunskills	92.0814	LE8 9FQ
Goodes Bridge	105.0264	LE7 4UZ
Under Hill Bridge	106.1298	LE12 7LP
Bowleys	113.0528	LE12 5ER
Nottingham Road	116.0572	LE12 5GB

We do not hold a final cost by individual structure however I can advise that each had an average cost of around £2.5m.

Whilst writing to you, I thought it might be useful to draw your attention to some of the benefits derived from the work we have carried out.

- The life of the bridges has been extended due to improved asset condition including critical masonry repairs, renewed waterproofing and enhanced superstructure drainage
- Improved safety signage both at trackside and on the highway above the bridge as well as improving highway alignment
- The increase in parapet heights has improved safety
- Improved trackside access for future asset examination and maintenance
- Enhanced Gauge Clearance means larger freight wagons are able to use the line
- The line meets EU highway loading capacity throughout including Abnormal Vehicles capacity
- We are now future-proofed for any new electrification project
- Enhanced parapet and approach barrier strength throughout

- Reduced Road Vehicle incursion (RVI) score for both the parapets and highway approaches
- Future-proofed utility ducting capacity

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Yours sincerely

Anisha Pandya
Information Officer

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