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29 January 2018

Dear Sir

**THE MIDLAND METRO (WEDNESBURY TO BRIERLY HILL LAND ACQUISITION) ORDER
NOTICE NO: 0010-7764N_140
PLOTS: 336 AND 337
OBJECTION BY JESSOPS EUROPE LIMITED**

I act on behalf of Jessops Europe Limited (hereafter referred to as "**Jessops**" or my client). I am instructed to submit an objection to the abovementioned draft Transport and Works Act Order (the "**TWAO**"), which has been made by the West Midlands Combined Authority (the "**Authority**").

Jessops occupies unit L64 of the Merry Hill Shopping Centre at Briery Hill (the "**Property**") by way of a leasehold interest. The lease grants my client rights over the private roads which provide access to and egress from the Property. Two of the roads which serve the Property (the Embankment and Central Way) have been included in the TWAO for land acquisition and new rights respectively.

I am instructed to object to the TWAO on Jessops' behalf on the ground that the acquisition and taking of rights over the access roads could have an unacceptable adverse impact on the business undertaken by Jessops from the Property, and the other occupiers of the shopping centre.

This objection has been submitted in order to protect my client's position. It is hoped that the Authority can provide my client with assurances regarding access to and egress from the Property both during and on completion of the works, which will enable the withdrawal of the objection.

Please accept this letter as formal notice of Jessops' objection to the TWAO. My client wishes to reserve its position in respect of its objection being considered at public inquiry and to make representations and call evidence at inquiry in necessary.

Please could you confirm safe receipt of this letter and direct all future correspondence in connection with the TWAO to me on my client's behalf.

Yours faithfully

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Matthew Bodley.

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cc Scott Worger, Retail Operations Director, Jessops

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From: Matthew Bodley <Matthew@matthewbodleyconsulting.com>
Sent: 29 January 2018 10:03
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Subject: The Midland Metro (Wednesbury to Brierly Hill Land Acquisition) Order - Objection on behalf of Jessops Europe Ltd
Attachments: Jessops Objection 2018-01-29.pdf

Dear sirs

Please find attached an objection against the abovementioned draft Transport and Works Act Order on behalf of Jessops Europe Ltd. A copy has also been sent by first class mail in today's post.

Please could you acknowledge receipt.

Regards

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