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Department of Transport
Great Minster House
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RE: Access for All funding nomination – Radlett Railway Station

I am writing to strongly support the nomination of Radlett Railway Station for Access for All funding to improve the accessibility of the station for my constituents.

As it stands, the only platform which is easily accessible from the main station entrance is not in use.

There is a side entrance from the other side of the railway with a ramp to Platform 1, but this is only helpful for those who only need to travel to Radlett from the north or travel into London.

The northbound platform is only accessible from either entrance by two sets of stairs via the footbridge.

As a result, someone who has accessibility needs and cannot use the stairs can only use Platform 1 and would need to travel to another station to complete their journey.

The adjacent railway stations, Elstree & Borehamwood and St Albans City, are already fully accessible and the installation of lifts at Radlett Station would finally enable Radlett residents with accessibility needs to use the train to travel to the neighbouring towns as they are currently unable to do so.

It would also enable Radlett residents with accessibility needs to use the station to travel into and out of London as they are currently unable to because they would need to travel to another station instead.

The need to renovate Radlett Station to improve its accessibility is a pressing issue locally and has been regularly raised with me by Radlett residents since I was first elected in 2015.

I also know that Radlett Station's Access for All funding application is supported by other local stakeholders, and we are all agreed on the importance of the accessibility of Radlett Station.



I have had meetings with Aldenham Parish Council, Radlett's local parish council, about how we can collectively work to improve the accessibility of the Station and I know that they support Radlett Station's bid for funding.

I also understand that Hertsmere Borough Council are supporting the bid for Access for All funding for Radlett Station as well.

It is for these reasons that Radlett Station makes a strong case for Access for All funding, and I fully support its inclusion in this scheme.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Oliver Dowden', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

The Rt Hon Oliver Dowden CBE MP
Member of Parliament for Hertsmere