



**Hertfordshire County Council – Brief
14th January, 2016**

1. Hendy Review – The Hendy Review was published in November 2015 and details the re-planning of Network Rails investment programme.

- EWR – see separate briefing note
- MML – Bedford / Corby 2019, Kettering / Derby & Notts 2023, Derby / Sheffield 2023
- ECML – Huntingdon “overtaking track” 2020
- WCML – CP5 delivery for WCML Power upgrade

Funding will be achieved through sale of property assets & reprogramming of borrowing

Shaw Review – A review of the structure of the rail industry including the role of Network Rail. This is due in April 16

2.– Capacity Plus Study- This is the study evaluating options for released capacity on the WCML as a result of the opening of HS2 in 2026, the period of study I cover 2026 – 2033.

The next stakeholder briefing is 26th January in Rugby, options are currently being developed.

The timescale is for a draft report to be published in spring 2016 with a final options document published in summer 2016.

3. Hitchin – The Station land is a possible development site; this is currently being evaluated by Network Rail Property for potential. Steve Peggs (Principal Property Development Manager) is the contact