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Dear Sirs,

Transport Scotland Rail 2014 Consultation

I should like to put forward the following suggestions for inclusion in the consultation.

PROBLEMS

1. "NINE STATIONS IN GLASGOW TO CLOSE?"
2. "CURTAIL ANNIESLAND TO QUEEN STREETY HIGH LEVEL SERVICE AT ASHFIELD?"
3. FREE-UP SLOTS AT QUEEN STREET HIGH LEVEL BY REMOVING DIESEL SERVICES.

The answers to all three of these threatened situations are as follows.

Of the nine stations, four, Kelvindale, Maryhill, Gilshochill and Ashfield are on the Anniesland to Queen Street High Level route, and two, Barnhill and Duke Street, are on the underused electric service from Springburn to Queen Street Low Level and on to Garscadden and beyond.

By electrifying the Anniesland to Springburn section, combining its service with that from Springburn to Queen Street Low Level, and then extending it to Anniesland, it would be possible to have a much better used "Northern Circle", which would complement the Glasgow Subway Circle and the Cathcart Circle lines.

The cost – three and a half miles of electrification, which could be a small part of the Edinburgh to Glasgow Improvement Project, and the provision of a new connection at Anniesland.

It would then be possible to use Springburn as an interchange point for the Cumbernauld to Queen Street High Level service, and to recast the Garscadden/Clydebank/Balloch routes.

Yours faithfully,

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