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Keith Brown MSP  
Minister for Housing and Transport  
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Scottish Parliament

Thursday, 23 February 2012

Dear Keith,

Please find enclosed petition sheets calling for the retention of Airbles Station.

I trust that you will take these into consideration in your deliberations on the future of Scotland's rail network.

Yours sincerely

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### Airbles Station

Thank you for your letter dated 23 February 2012, containing a 213 signature petition and a 162 comment I-petition, calling for the retention of Airbles station.

The *Rail 2014* consultation did not advocate the closure of Airbles station. There are no plans to close Airbles station or stations in any other part of Scotland. In fact, I visited Airbles station on 5 March 2012 to emphasize that the station will not close. The consultation makes clear that the Government is keen to encourage access to the rail network and in fact we are actually currently looking at ways in which we can support the development of new stations on the rail network.

*Rail 2014* is a consultation - it set out options - not views or proposals. We wanted to stimulate debate and we have been pleased with the level of response.

The consultation closed on 20 February 2012 and we are now reviewing and analysing the 1,200 plus replies to the consultation. The Scottish Government's response will be set out to Parliament in due course.

I hope this reply will allow you to re-assure your constituents.

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S SANOOGH	S. Sanooy	11 11 11 11	
S SAVAGE	S. Sanooy	11 11 11 11	
J. LOVE	J. Love	55 AIRBLES (RESC. M) WELL	
R. LOVE	R. J.	11 11 11 11	
M. YOUNG	M. Young	25 Minclell Cross M/WELL	
M. ADAM	M. Adam	10. came Rd, M/WELL	
R. ADAM	R. Adam	11	11
L. ADAM	L. Adam	11 11	11 -
D. ADAM	D. Adam	11 11	11
M. PATERSON	M. PATERSON	7 ANNAN ST M/WELL	
D. PATERSON	D. PATERSON	"	
A. KELLY	A. Kelly	14 KELLY PLACE M/WELL	
P. FOX	P. fox	"	
C. KELLY	C. Kelly	3 MARYWOOD WILTON	
P. KELLY	P. Kelly	CITRON TERRACE M/WELL	

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Name	Signature	Address	Email
Gibson	Anna	37 Airbles Drive	
I have lived here for 26 yrs & use the station a lot especially to get to Hamilton as it is a long way to the Town Hall bus stop.			
We have no buses going down Airbles Rd except the Express to Glasgow			
I don't think there is too much expense involved keeping Airbles open & the train from Motherwell be going through it any way			
		Anna Gibson	

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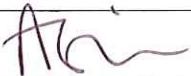
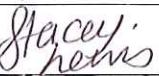
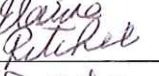
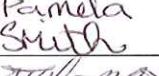
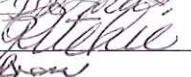
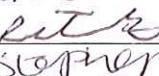
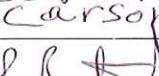
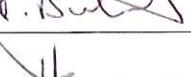
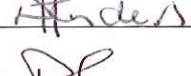
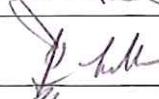
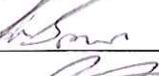
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Ashley Steven		321 Airbles RD ML1 3TW	ashleysteven.megamay@yahoo.co.uk
Stacey Lewis		17 Saffron Crescent ML2 0FA	StaceyLewis158@me.com
Jamie Dickson		17 Saffron Crescent ML2 0FA	Jamie.Dickson.1983@yahoo.co.uk
Kerry Sneddon		37 BARONS RD MURHOUSE ML1 2NE	Sneddon-Kerry@hotmail.com
Elaine Ritchie		4b, CARBURNS ROAD NETHERTON WISHAW ML2 0BZ	
Pamela Smith		30 THOMSON AVE WISHAW ML2 0BY	
Thomas Ritchie		107, KIRKNEATHAN WISHAW ML2 0BX	
Deen Ritchie		4v, BROADCAIRNS COURT MOTHERWELL	
Stephen Carson		2 GRANGE DR WEST M. WEELE ML1 3BT	
R. Borthwick		36 AVON TOWER MOTHERWELL	
Henderson		10 STAGS WYND MOTHERWELL	
P Greenhough		9 ELMHURST ML4 3BZ	
J. White		5, CANTERBURY GARDENS ML7 5JA	
J. Miller		66, CORRIE DRIVE MOTHERWELL	
Cris Day		75 COWLS PLACE ML2 7US	
Jean Dean		49 North Orchard Street	
Jim McLean		358 Caledonian RD ML2 0EL	

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S. DUNN	S. Dunn	26 CAIRN CRT, MUNICH	sybil.dunn@sky.com
C. MATHIAS	C. Mathias	325 Airbles Road	Motherwell ML1 2AU
Tim Harkins	Tim Harkins	155 WATSON ST.	Team.Harkins@THREE.COM.UK
L. McLean	L. McLean	DUNSYRE RD, GREENWICH	Liz.McLean.mae@gmail.com
D. BRYCE	D. Bryce	21 RAVENSWOOD	shaggyedoggie@aol.com
L. McLean	L. McLean	124 ELWOOD AVE	callum.mccole@btconnect.com
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Z. CUNKA	Z. Cunca	12 North Lane MUNICH	BC1975@remutran.com



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David	David	18 Chestnut Grove	dmhawell.
Howard	Howard	58 Braehead Ave	
David	David	123 Logans Rd Milw	
VLADIMIR	VLADIMIR	65 Middle Street Motherwell	
A. LOGAN	A. LOGAN	34 Alexander Gibson Way	
13/1/12	13/1/12	15 Ross Gardens	M/Well.
	Antony O'Rourke	16 Elvan St	
13/1/12	13/1/12	Lyndsey Sampson	BEARSDEN
13/1/12	13/1/12	R. Clark	39 Dunure Dr
H. Stewart	H. Stewart	14 Bee Avenue	Clarky@hotmail.co.uk
C. Hinde	C. Hinde	33 Ross Crescent	
S. Somerville	S. Somerville	13 Hazelton M/Hill	
J. Morris	J. Morris	29 Woodstock Road	hawellC.
D. Clelland	D. Clelland	16 Elleray St	dclelland_13@hotmail.
F. O'Rourke	F. O'Rourke	7 Wallace Place	—

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JAN CLARK	J Clark	" " "	—
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S. Brain	S. Brain	8 Airbles Eues	
M. LUMSDEN	M. Lumden	24 AIRBLES DR,	
S. LUMSDEN	S. Lumden	24 AIRBLES DR	
C. Lumden	C. Lumden	24 AIRBLES DR	
V. Lumden	V. Lumden	24 AIRBLES DR,	
J. Findlay	J. Findlay	4 AIRBLES CRES.	
SHAYNE	S. Hayne	1 HARVEST DRIVE	
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ANGELA SHARP	Angela Sharp	11 STAGH WYNS ML1 2EL	
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NORMA CRAIG	Norma Craig	48 UNION ST, MOTHERWELL.	

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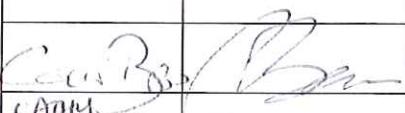
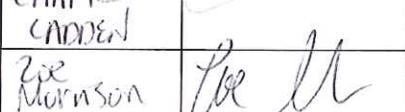
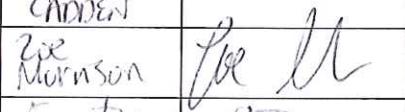
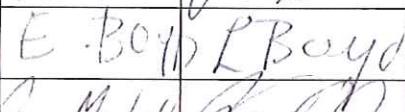
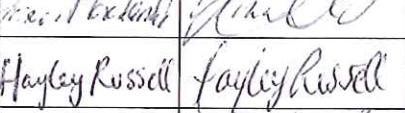
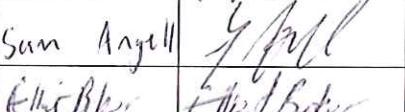
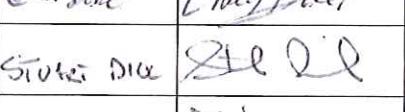
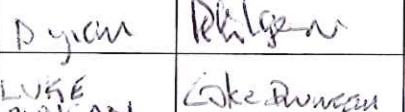
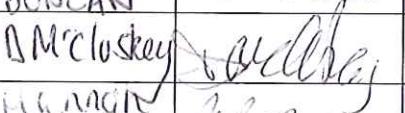
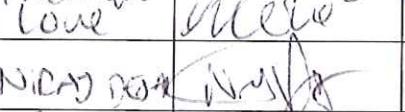
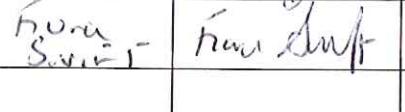
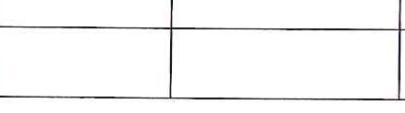
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**Name:** Gary ORorke on Jan 8, 2012  
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**Name:** Gordon Miller on Jan 8, 2012  
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**Name:** Alan Clinch on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:** Vital for the area that this well used station stays open.  
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**Name:** Ryan Early on Jan 8, 2012  
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**Name:**  Chris Hamilton on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:** A ludicrous suggestion to close a well used station.  
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**Name:** Jim Robertson on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:** I agree 100% that Airbles Road Railway Station should not be closed as it would lead to additional expense and great inconvenience to many people.  
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**Name:**  David Fagan on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:** We need more stations, not fewer.  
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**Name:** Helen Burns on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:** This Petition is urgent please sign.  
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**9**  
**Name:** Maria Whitson on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:**  
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**10**  
**Name:** Jeffrey J Hills on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:** As stated on this email, Airbles station is an important link and there is no reason why this station should close.  
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**11**  
**Name:** Brian Meehan on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:** Once again no consideration given to the general public  
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**12**  
**Name:** Kev Rooney on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:**  
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**13**  
**Name:** *Anonymous Facebook user* on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:** Please sign this petition  
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**Name:** John Ruddy on Jan 8, 2012  
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**Name:** Darren Young on Jan 8, 2012  
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**Name:** Kevin Mallon on Jan 8, 2012  
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**17**  
**Name:** Alistair Watson on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:** This attack on the Rail Network by the Scottish Government must be opposed.  
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**18**  
**Name:** Karl Young on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:**  
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**19**  
**Name:** Bobby Millar on Jan 8, 2012  
**Comments:** I think that the closure of Airbles would be a detrimental step and particularly affect the most vulnerable in our community.  
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**20**  
**Name:** A Taylor on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** Ada Irving on Jan 9, 2012

**Comments:** This is a vital service to the residents of Motherwell and those who visit.

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**Name:** James Harkin on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** David Begley on Jan 9, 2012

**Comments:** Very useful, well used and necessary railway station and would be sorely missed by a large part of the community in Motherwell. Many commuters travelling to Glasgow use this station to get to and from work without using their cars. If it were to be closed, many people would be reluctant to walk to Motherwell train station and would therefore either drive to that station or into Glasgow - both options being less environmentally friendly and leading to more congestion on the roads in Motherwell (which are already very congested) and on the motorway into Glasgow. Also has a very useful function in terms of keeping large crowds away from the centre of the town when there is football played at Fir Park, keeping the roads and streets free from hordes of football fans and slowing down an already congested town centre.

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**Name:** Councillor Paul Kelly on Jan 9, 2012

**Comments:** Vital we stop this move. It makes no sense to close such a vital and well used local station.

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**Name:**  Dave Smith on Jan 9, 2012

**Comments:** Over 100,000 journeys a year begin or end at Airbles station. Respond to the consultation - <http://www.transportscotland.gov.uk/strategy-and-research/publications-and-consultations/203179-00.htm>

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**Name:** Helen G. Burns on Jan 9, 2012

**Comments:** This is a very important station to the community of Motherwell and must under no circumstances be closed

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**Name:** James Kelly on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** Theresa Kelly on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** Taylor James Scott on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** Councillor Michael Ross on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** Andrew Nimmo on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** Cllr Kaye Harmon on Jan 9, 2012

**Comments:** It's a total accessible station and well used by the local community. Please sign up

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**Name:** Lynn Higgins on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** Laura on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** Claire Tait on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** Aaron on Jan 9, 2012

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**Name:** Ellen Wynd on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** It would be a great loss to a lot of people Motherwell

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**Name:** Freyja McVeigh on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** I use Airbles station to travel to and from work in Glasgow. I'm able to walk from my house. I don't have a car so if this station closed and I had to walk to Motherwell Station my hour and fifteen minute commute would become two hours! I need Airbles station! Don't let the government close it!

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**Name:** Jon Woolrich on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:**

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**Name:** Gerard Lee on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** Totally against this closure

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**Name:** Yvonne Bordon on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** Airbles is a well used station that serves as an important link to Glasgow. Closing the station would be a real loss to the local area. Perhaps a small fraction of the £50 million that the Scottish Government has pledged to spend on improving connectivity and encouraging low-carbon travel options (see below) could be spared to keep this unmanned station open? Extract from page 6 of the SNP Manifesto 2011: 'Future Transport Fund This future transport initiative will see the final £50 million invested in new projects across the country designed to deliver improved connectivity and innovation in transport. This part of the fund will focus on modal shift to help more Scots move to low-carbon and active travel options.'

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**Name:** Paul Lugton on Jan 10, 2012

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**Name:** Mark Lee on Jan 10, 2012

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**Name:** Siobhan McMahon on Jan 10, 2012

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**Name:** Colin Hunter on Jan 10, 2012  
**Comments:** busy station used widley by people of motherwell

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**Name:** Lynn McPhail on Jan 10, 2012  
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**Name:** David Smith on Jan 10, 2012  
**Comments:** This station is a vital part of the local community and saves many locals a long walk to motherwell town centre. I always get the train from here with my friends into town and it's not like we're the only ones ever waiting on a train! To close this station would be a crying shame considering the amount of money the government wastes.....

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**Name:** Fiona Mackinnon on Jan 10, 2012  
**Comments:** This station should not be considered for closure. It's an important piece of infrastructure for the surrounding area.

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**Name:** Wilma Gilfillan on Jan 10, 2012  
**Comments:**

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**Name:** [REDACTED] Stephanie McCaig on Jan 10, 2012  
**Comments:** If this station closes Airbles Road and the surrounding area will be shut off from Public Transport apart from one bus service!

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58  
**Name:** Graeme Miller on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** Airbles is a well used station an is required for some of the community which the main station just isn't feasible. If some or even one SNP member were to look at the station at what they might call 'early hours in the morning' whereas the rest of us call 'standard morning travel time' then they would see that. Idiots to even think about doing this.

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**Name:** Eileen Bordon on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** This is a shocking proposal to close Airbles Road Railway Station. The station is in a prime location serving not only the surrounding housing area but also local government offices, call centres, Firpark Football Club, Strathclyde Country Park and many others. This station was created as there was a need for it and still is. The station is unmanned, like many stations, and cannot cost all that much to maintain. To close the station would be a great loss to the area. Shame on Transport Scotland to even consider such a proposal!

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**Name:** Lynn Stewart on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** We waited long enough to get Airbles Station and it is very popular. It will be a disgrace if it is closed.

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**Name:** Mandy McGuinness on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:**

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**Name:** Frank McNally on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** This is a well used station, important to local residents, including many students. Transport Scotland cannot possibly expect to attract local people to use the rail network if they are removing stations like Airbles from our communities.

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**Name:** Martin Lafferty on Jan 10, 2012

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**Name:** Tom Reilly on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** It would be wrong to close this Station - we should be building stations not closing them.

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**Name:** Stephen Bordon on Jan 10, 2012

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**Name:** Carol Lee on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** Airbles provides a vital transport link, particularly to commuters and an elderly local community. A proposed closure would not be in line with other policy agendas, e.g. meeting the needs of an ageing population, reducing carbon emissions

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**Name:** Victoria Friary on Jan 10, 2012

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Name: Marion Mathieson on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: Emma Mooney on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: Marion Gallon on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: Robert Steel on Jan 10, 2012  
Comments: This is shocking the railway must stay!  
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Name:  Stephanie Ralston on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: Rebecca Flanagan on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name:  Gillian Wright on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: Alana Bowman on Jan 10, 2012  
Comments: Airbles is a very handy station for those who live on the otherside of Motherwell and if shut down will do nothing but inconvenience those who cannot get transport to the main station in town.  
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Name: Emma Craig on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: Douglas Jack on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: Mary Ralston on Jan 10, 2012  
Comments: Please save our Station  
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Name: Karen on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: Alison Ralston on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: Jenni Watson on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: Matthew Craig on Jan 10, 2012  
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Name: *Anonymous* on Jan 10, 2012  
Comments:  
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90  
Name: Francis Falan on Jan 10, 2012  
Comments: Totally rediculous this rail link has been very well used, so now we know what Lord Robons did years ago, is Alex Salmon related I wonder??  
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91  
Name: Elaine Ralston on Jan 10, 2012  
Comments:  
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**Name:** Patrick O'Rourke on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** This is a step backwards to the days of Beeching.

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**Name:** Angela Ross on Jan 10, 2012

**Comments:** Airbles station is a well-used station in the Motherwell area. Its closure would have an adverse affect on all those who regularly use it and would also cause increased traffic congestion in Motherwell town centre as more traffic would be directed towards Motherwell train station. Please do not close Airbles station.

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**Name:** Graham McKerron on Jan 11, 2012

**Comments:**

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**Name:** Scottish Young Labour on Jan 11, 2012

**Comments:** Train services are vital for many young people across Scotland. With many unable to either drive due to their age, or financial constraints, access to local public transport is absolutely vital. With regards to students in the eastern and southern parts of Motherwell, Airbles train station is absolutely vital for them. It could mean adding another 20-30mins to someone's journey as they would have to walk to the main motherwell station in the town centre as they may be unable to afford any other means of transport. On another point the question must be asked if the Scottish Government has consulted with Strathclyde Police. As Airbles is the closest to Motherwell football ground, have the Scottish Government considered the problems that would be caused on a day that Motherwell are playing at home and the safety issues of having a large number of fans come from the centre of the town to the other side. There's a possibility that closure of the station could lead to an increase in public disorder and also a down turn for some local businesses that are very near to the station itself. Darren Young, Chair, Scottish Young Labour

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**Name:** Anonymous on Jan 11, 2012

**Comments:**

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**Name:** Motherwell Youth Voice on Jan 11, 2012

**Comments:** Motherwell Youth Voice would like to take this opportunity to support in keeping Airbles station open for business.

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**Name:** Rosalind Begley on Jan 11, 2012

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**Name:** J Ferguson on Jan 11, 2012

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**Name:** Linda Craig on Jan 11, 2012

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Name: Malcolm Cunning on Jan 12, 2012

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Name: Jim Paterson on Jan 12, 2012

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Name: Vicki Imrie on Jan 12, 2012

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105  
  
Name: Anne Cavinue on Jan 12, 2012

Comments: Sign petition to save Airbles Road train station.

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106  
Name: Anonymous on Jan 12, 2012

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107  
Name: Carrie Rankin on Jan 13, 2012

Comments: Keep the station open its vital link for commuters

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Name: Anonymous Facebook user on Jan 13, 2012

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Name: Lynn Smith on Jan 13, 2012

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Name: Andrew Smith on Jan 13, 2012

Comments: Vital for commuters, local business and importantly local people. Three stations in Hamilton but one is sufficient for Motherwell? I think not.

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Name: Heather Findlay on Jan 14, 2012

Comments:

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Name: Robert Bordon on Jan 14, 2012

Comments: Why close a station that costs next to nothing to keep open but provides an essential service to the local community.

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Name: Adele Smith on Jan 14, 2012

Comments: To close this station would be extremely detrimental. Provision of public transport should be a priority. This station is well used by local residents and people who work in the area but don't necessarily live close by. What next.....Motherwell station to go as well?

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Name: *Anonymous* on Jan 14, 2012

Comments: Please don't close this station, it is needed by the community. Transport Scotland should be IMPROVING services, not shutting stations down!

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Name: Lee Reilly on Jan 15, 2012

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Name: Louise Jordan on Jan 16, 2012

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Name: Nina Mullen on Jan 17, 2012

Comments: I don't believe Airbles train station shouldn't be closed down. There would be no benefits for closing the station it would make more hassle towards people.

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Name: Robyn Moore on Jan 17, 2012

Comments: ahh keep

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Name: Isabel Jardine on Jan 17, 2012

Comments: i use this station on a regular basis also my 83 year old mother needs this as she loves going into town every week and also her connection for glasgow central to addressan for the ferry to visit her family

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Name: Adele Black on Jan 18, 2012

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**Name:** Fiona McKinnon on Jan 18, 2012

**Comments:** This station is well used by folk that live in that area, work in the office blocks in airbles road, and travel to attend football games at Fir Park Stadium

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**Name:** Delmer Bowman on Jan 18, 2012

**Comments:** Closure of Airbles would be a disaster for Motherwell now and for planned future development The town centre could not cope with the increases congestion.

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**Name:** John Coadyjohncoady on Jan 19, 2012

**Comments:** This will seriously disrupt town centre and will mean a bigger police presence on match days. Crazy idea.

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**Name:** Ailsa J Tweedie on Jan 19, 2012

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**Name:** David M Cameron on Jan 19, 2012

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**Name:** *Anonymous* on Jan 19, 2012

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**Name:** Arthur Richardson on Jan 19, 2012

**Comments:** Keep Airbles Station open

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**Name:** Kay Menzies on Jan 20, 2012

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**Name:** Jim Menzies on Jan 20, 2012

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**Name:** Gerard McMahon on Jan 20, 2012

**Comments:** Airbles station is a vital public transport link that must be saved. The cost benefits are outweighed emphatically by the stations benefit to the people it serves. It has seen increased passenger flow in recent years, exactly what we all want to see. Closing this station would undermine the efforts made by previous governments to increase the use of public transport.

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**Name:** *Anonymous* on Jan 21, 2012

**Comments:** closing this station is crazy, its very valuable to the area and takes the pressure off motherwell station were there is no parking and already very busy

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Name: *Anonymous* on Jan 21, 2012

Comments:

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Name: Charlie Mulholland on Jan 22, 2012

Comments: It's a great link both ways must be kept open

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Name: *Anonymous Facebook user* on Jan 22, 2012

Comments:

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Name: Gillian Lumsden on Jan 22, 2012

Comments: It is an outrage if Airbles train station is closed. It is always well used and is in a much less congested area of the town which helps ease the overcrowding around Motherwell station where there is no space to park or even pick up or drop off people. Add that to the fact that the only road near Motherwell station is due to be closed for a year and the obvious solution would be to leave Airbles alone. Hands off our station!!

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Name: Denise Andrew on Jan 22, 2012

Comments:

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Name: Linda Yorke on Jan 23, 2012

Comments: please keep airbles station i use this station a lot for going into glasgow and to hamilton

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Name: *Anonymous* on Jan 23, 2012

Comments:

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Name: David Leitch on Jan 24, 2012

Comments: Keep this station open. Airbles station is within walking distance of many residential areas of Motherwell so closing it will increase congestion at the Motherwell Station as passengers from the areas surrounding Airbles will have to get lifts or a taxi to the station. A taxi costs more than the return fare into Glasgow so people will use alternate methods of travel.

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Name: Jim Stewart on Jan 24, 2012

Comments: This station serves a significant proportion of the local population and its closure would not only inconvenience current users but would greatly increase traffic congestion in Motherwell Town Centre.

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Name: Billy Bothwell on Jan 25, 2012

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Name: Ross Watson on Jan 25, 2012

Comments: keeping this station open is an absolute must for the people of South Motherwell.

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Name: William Bell on Jan 25, 2012

**Comments:** please do NOT close airbles station  
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**Name:** Fiona McKinnon on Jan 25, 2012  
**Comments:**  
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**Name:** James Owen on Jan 25, 2012  
**Comments:** I am fully opposed to the possibility of the threatened closure  
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146  
**Name:** Sarah McGuire on Jan 25, 2012  
**Comments:**  
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**Name:** Janice Owen on Jan 25, 2012  
**Comments:** I live close to his valuable station, which means I do not require to use my car for journeys into Glasgow or further afield, are we not supposed to be keeping the carbon footprint down?  
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**Name:** Ann Logie on Jan 26, 2012  
**Comments:** No wonder the station is being closed! I expect the rail companies think it's never used. And do you know why that is? Because everytime you go to purchase a ticket, they tell you it's cheaper to buy one for Motherwell Central, even if you're getting off at Airbles. So what do we do? By a ticket for Motherwell. Lo and behold, Airbles is never used!  
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**Name:** Sophie Mcpherson on Jan 26, 2012  
**Comments:**  
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**Name:** Graeme Russell on Jan 26, 2012  
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**Name:** J O'Hare on Jan 29, 2012

**Comments:** The Airbles station serves well the community of Motherwell. It also provides a safer route for visiting supporters to games at Fir Park. Opposition supporters would then be required to walk through the town centre. In addition for those commuting to Glasgow day to day for work. This proposed closure should be opposed

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**Name:** Christine Dodd on Jan 30, 2012

**Comments:** One of the earlier comments is correct, the rail companies have no idea of the numbers using the station as lots of people, myself included, always buy a ticket to Motherwell rather than Airbles so that we can take any train (although I always aim to get the Airbles train) so their numbers will be completely inaccurate.

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**Name:** Aileen Boyle on Jan 30, 2012

**Comments:**

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**Name:** Gillian Wilson on Jan 30, 2012

**Comments:** This is a busy and much needed station for all travellers coming from this end of motherwell

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**Name:** Susan Young on Jan 30, 2012

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**Name:** Poh McIntyre on Jan 31, 2012

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**Name:** *Anonymous* on Jan 31, 2012

**Comments:** Shocking decision if Airbles Station were to close. In this area of Motherwell there is a lack of public transport i.e no bus routes to Hamilton and only a bus into Glasgow. With Motherwell cross going to be closed for 16 months what are people to do

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**Name:** Stephen McIntyre on Feb 2, 2012

**Comments:** I would be very disappointed if Airbles was to be closed. 1000's of people would be disrupted. How are older people to get to Motherwell Station.  
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**Name:** Julie Coughlin on Feb 2, 2012  
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**Name:** Nicola Frame on Feb 3, 2012  
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**Name:** Margaret Cumming on Feb 4, 2012  
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**Name:** Helen Burns on Feb 6, 2012  
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