



# The Scottish Parliament

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Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your invitation to respond to the consultation document on the extension of the Scotrail franchise. I am happy for my responses to be made public. I am happy for the Scottish Government to contact me again in the future in relation to this consultation response.

- Q1 I believe that the operation of an additional limited stop service from Glasgow to Edinburgh via Shotts along with the extension of 15 minute frequency between Edinburgh-Glasgow best support the delivery of Scotland's railways.
- Q3 I believe that Glasgow crossrail should be the major priced option in the future.
- Q5 There needs to be ticket dispensing machines on every platform.
- Q7 CCTV should be provided in all stations. In addition, schemes to involve local community and heritage groups to regenerate stations should be extended and further funded.
- Q9 Shotts station should be made fully DDA compliant as a matter of urgency. This is particularly important in relation to the proposed limited stop service between Glasgow and Edinburgh via Shotts. It is vital that people with disabilities in Shotts should not be excluded from the opportunities that such an enhanced service will offer.
- Q10 With the absence of a station at Plains on the new Airdrie to Bathgate rail line, provision must be made to ensure that there a good bus links between Plains and the new station at Clarkston

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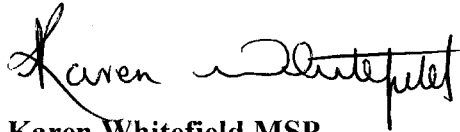
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Q11 I believe that there is a need for the introduction of a national smart card technology which enables true multi-modal transport within a deregulated market. This will make journeys easier for passengers and thereby attract more people onto public transport.

Yours sincerely



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**RESPONDENT INFORMATION FORM**

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Name:

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1. Are you responding: (please tick one box)
- |     |                                   |                          |                         |
|-----|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| (a) | as an individual                  | <input type="checkbox"/> | go to Q2a/b and then Q4 |
| (b) | on behalf of a group/organisation | <input type="checkbox"/> | go to Q3 and then Q4    |

**INDIVIDUALS**

- 2a. Do you agree to your response being made available to the public (in Scottish Government library and/or on the Scottish Government website)?

Yes (go to 2b below) ☐

No, not at all ☐ We will treat your response as confidential

- 2b. **Where confidentiality is not requested**, we will make your response available to the public on the following basis (please tick one of the following boxes)

Yes, make my response, name and address all available	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, make my response available, but not my name or address	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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**ON BEHALF OF GROUPS OR ORGANISATIONS:**

3. The name and address of your organisation **will be** made available to the public (in the Scottish Government library and/or on the Transport Scotland website). Are you also content for your **response** to be made available?

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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**SHARING RESPONSES/FUTURE ENGAGEMENT**

4. We will share your response internally with other Scottish Government policy teams who may be addressing the issues you discuss. They may wish to contact you again in the future, but we require your permission to do so. Are you content for the Scottish Government to contact you again in the future in relation to this consultation response?

Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>