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Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Executive (Nexus) Nexus House St James' Boulevard Newcastle Upon Tyne NE1 4AX 08 August 2022

## Connection Contract at Pelaw Junction between Network Rail Infrastructure Limited and Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Executive

Under section 18 of the Railways Act 1993, and further to the application made by Network Rail Infrastructure Limited and Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Executive (Nexus), as the relevant parties, I approve the terms of the proposed access contract (being a track connection contract) submitted to the Office of Rail and Road (ORR) on 15 June 2022, relating to the connection at Pelaw Junction.

I further hereby direct you, Network Rail and Nexus, in your respective capacities as facility owners and beneficiary, to enter into the proposed access contract with each other on the terms agreed no later than 11 September 2022.

You shall be released from the duty to enter into the contract in question if:

- either of you, in the capacity of facility owner, gives ORR notice of an objection pursuant to section 18(7)(c)(i) of the Railways Act 1993 before the expiration of a period fourteen days beginning with the day after the day on which these directions are issued; or
- 2. either of you, in the capacity of beneficiary, fails to enter into the proposed access contract by no later than 11 September 2022.

**Gordon Herbert** 

Duly Authorised by the Office of Rail and Road

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