



New Business Planner  
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**G.D.F Rail transportation topics to consider from a DRS standpoint**

- 1) Decision has been made that the vast majority of materials to be delivered by rail and final site selection will determine the required design of rail sidings.
- 2) The rail design will need to be multi-functional firstly for construction, followed by waste to be deposited and a "worker/staff" transportation solution including a station.
- 3) Could any potential rail infrastructure requirements form a partnership with new build?
- 4) The existing rail line between Thursby and Maryport has many options to branch off to a GDF facility and land/space either side of the A596 between these two points appear to be plentiful.
- 5) If a site South of Maryport is chosen, then there are some historical rail lines, many of which have still got a track bed, could be resurrected.
- 6) Line resurrection that could be for both GDF and new build is the line from Sellafield to Egremont via Beckermeth then ultimately on to Corkickle.
- 7) Once the line departs St Bees then it is almost impossible to divert the rail line inland due to the structure of the ground.
- 8) The line between St Bees and Sellafield and also between Harrington and Parton are susceptible to flooding and occasional landslip.
- 9) True community benefit would provide a rail solution for the project but equally provide new stations and rail access to towns and villages that have been isolated from it since Dr Beeching, namely Cockermouth and Egremont.

I sincerely hope this assists in any formative plans you may consider when searching for a location to site the GDF.

Kind Regards

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