

Meeting held with new Railcare owners and Secretary of State

MP for Milton Keynes North Mark Lancaster has today met with Business Secretary Vince Cable to discuss the future of Railcare.

The meeting which saw Mark, the Secretary of State for Business Innovation and Skills together with the new owners of the Wolverton works, Knorr-Bremse, meet to discuss future plans Wolverton Site and for Mark to raise constituents concerns.

Mark was pleased to hear that Knorr-Bremse had reemployed the apprentices laid off last month and are looking to double the work force over the next few years. Combined with planned major investment into the infrastructure of the site, Mark is confident that the future is look brighter for the local company.

Mark said, "It's been a turbulent year for the Wolverton works as I've experienced firsthand with dealings with Treasury, the Valuation agency and BIS, I've always said that I believe there is a positive future for railway engineering in Wolverton and with this week's re-employment of apprentices and new work arriving this weekend I hope the worst is now behind us."

"It's clear from our meeting with Vince Cable that Knorr-Bremse have major investment plans for the site and will be looking to take on extra staff in the coming months. I am determined to get the maximum support we can from BIS especially when it comes to expanding the apprenticeship scheme. None of this though would be possible without the sterling support and dedication of the staff at the works."