

IN PARLIAMENT  
HOUSE OF COMMONS  
SESSION 2015-16

**HIGH SPEED RAIL (LONDON - WEST MIDLANDS) BILL  
(ADDITIONAL PROVISION 4; OCTOBER 2015)**

**PETITION**

Against the bill- On Merits - Praying to be heard by Counsel, &c.

To the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in Parliament assembled.

THE HUMBLE PETITION of Little Missenden Parish Council

SHEWETH as follows:

1. A Bill (hereinafter referred to as "the bill") has been introduced and is now pending in your honourable House intituled "A bill to make provision for a railway between Euston in London and a junction with the West Coast Main Line at Handsacre in Staffordshire, with a spur from Old Oak Common in the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham to a junction with the Channel Tunnel Rail Link at York Way in the London Borough of Islington and a spur from Water Orton in Warwickshire to Curzon Street in Birmingham; and for connected purposes."
2. The Bill is presented by Mr Secretary McLoughlin.
3. Clauses 1 to 65, along with accompanying schedules, authorise and detail the works to be done in relation to the construction and the operation of the railway (also "HS2") mentioned in paragraph 1 above.
4. The Additional Provision 4, October 2015 amends Clause 1 along with Schedules 1, 3-5, 7, 8, 11, 12 & 15

The Additional Provision 4; October 2015 relates to the extension of the Chiltern Tunnel from Mantle's Wood portal to South Heath green tunnel north portal and associated works in the County of Buckinghamshire,

**Your petitioner**

5. Your Petitioner is Little Missenden Parish Council.
6. Your Petitioner's Parishioners will be directly, specially and injuriously affected by the provisions of the Bill, in relation to which your Petitioner has already petitioned ("the Existing Petition"). This Petition against the Additional Provision is without prejudice to your Petitioner's Existing Petition.
7. Your Petitioner Parishioners will also be directly, specially and injuriously affected by the Additional Provision 4; October 2015, to which your Petitioner accordingly objects for the reasons, amongst others, hereinafter appearing.

## **Your Petitioner's concerns and objections to the Additional Provision and requested mitigation**

8. Your Petitioner's Parishioners will suffer a range of severe and adverse effects by reason of the Bill, in respect of which your Petitioner has requested (and continues to request) that the presently proposed fully bored Chiltern Tunnel is extended throughout the entirety of the AONB. This will address most, if not all, of these adverse effects, the concerns of your Petitioner and will reduce the impact on the AONB. Failing which, the Petitioner requests further mitigation.
9. Your petitioner is very concerned about the traffic levels and queues which have not been detailed at the A413 Great Missenden Bypass/London Road junction (identified as 15 in the SES3 Vol 5 Appendix) and the A413/Deep Mill Lane junction and the effects on the work and school journeys of our parishioners living in Little Kingshill.
10. This problem can be resolved by the provision of a roundabout at the A413 Great Missenden Bypass/London Road junction.
11. Your petitioner is very concerned about the traffic levels and queues which have been identified as a major adverse effect at the A413 Great Missenden Bypass/B485 Chesham Road junction and the effects on the work and school journeys of all our parishioners, particularly those living in Hyde Heath, and on the access to Stoke Mandeville Hospital for all our Parishioners.
12. This problem can be resolved by reducing the amount of spoil that requires transporting by the use of retained cuttings or a bored tunnel extension. Also reducing the road transportation of spoil by taking it all along the trace, by rail.

### **Primary Mitigation**

13. Accordingly, your Petitioner objects to the Additional Provision 4 October 2015 (and associated works) and the clauses in the Bill that empower the additional works involved, and humbly requests your honourable House modify the Bill, and/or require undertakings of the Promoter, to remove these adverse effects, primarily through a fully bored tunnel throughout the AONB.
14. In the alternative to the extension of the fully bored Chiltern Tunnel throughout the AONB, which is the primary alteration to the Bill your Petitioner seeks, your Petitioner requests that the fully bored Chiltern Tunnel is extended to Leather Lane, as it will address, most but not all, of the above concerns.

### **Other Matters**

15. Your Petitioner is concerned that the Additional Provision requires petitions to be submitted before the consultation on the Additional Provision's Supplementary Environmental Statement has been completed and has not allowed your Petitioner adequate time to assess the full impact of the Additional Provision.
16. There are other clauses and provisions of the Bill which, if passed into law as they now stand will prejudicially affect your Petitioner's Parishioners, their rights, interests and property, and for which no adequate provision is made to protect them.

## **Conclusion**

17. Your Petitioner supports the petitions for a longer fully bored Chiltern Tunnel that extends throughout the AONB. If your honourable House alters the Bill to provide for such an extended tunnel most of your Petitioner's objections would be removed.
18. For the foregoing and connected reasons your Petitioner respectfully requests that unless the Bill is amended as proposed above, or suitable undertakings obtained from the Promoter, the Bill, along with accompanying Schedules, so far affecting your Petitioner be not be allowed to pass into law
19. There are other clauses and provisions of the Bill which, if passed into law as they now stand will prejudicially affect your Petitioners and their rights, interests and property for which no adequate provision is made to protect your Petitioners.

YOUR PETITIONER therefore humbly pray your Honourable House that the Bill may not be allowed to pass into law as it now stands and that they may be heard by their Counsel, Agents and witnesses in support of the allegations of this Petition against so much of the Bill as affects the property, rights and interests of your Petitioners and in support of such other clauses and provisions as may be necessary or expedient for their protection, or that such other relief may be given to your Petitioner in the premises as your Honourable House shall deem meet.

AND your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

Signature:

Chairman of Planning, Little Missenden Parish Council

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