

LORDS AMENDMENTS TO THE
HIGH SPEED RAIL (WEST MIDLANDS-CREWE) BILL

[The page and line references are to HL Bill 103, the bill as first printed for the Lords]

Clause 58

1 Page 25, line 23, leave out “, 22(6)(a)”

After Clause 58

2 Insert the following new Clause—

“Ancient woodland

- (1) The nominated undertaker must prepare and publish annual reports about the impact of the construction of each Phase of High Speed 2 on ancient woodland.
- (2) A report must contain—
 - (a) information about the impact on ancient woodland of the construction of each Phase of High Speed 2 during the period to which the report relates;
 - (b) such other information as may be specified by the Secretary of State.
- (3) The first report must be published before the end of the period of one year beginning with the day on which this Act comes into force.
- (4) Subsequent reports must be published before the end of the period of one year beginning with the day on which the previous report was published.
- (5) A report is not required in relation to a Phase of High Speed 2 in respect of a period during which no construction works take place for that Phase.
- (6) The nominated undertaker must publish reports under this section in such manner as the nominated undertaker considers appropriate.
- (7) In this section “Phase of High Speed 2” means—
 - (a) Phase One of High Speed 2 (within the meaning of section 1 of the High Speed Rail (London - West Midlands) Act 2017);
 - (b) Phase 2a of High Speed 2;

- (c) any other railway line which forms part of the high speed railway transport network referred to in section 1 of the High Speed Rail (Preparation) Act 2013.”

3 Insert the following new Clause—

“Consultation with residents and stakeholders in relation to Phase 2a of High Speed 2 and associated works

- (1) Before 1 May 2021, the Secretary of State must publish the report of a consultation with—
 - (a) residents of the County of Shropshire, the County of Staffordshire, the County of Cheshire and any other areas deemed relevant by a Minister of the Crown, who may be impacted by the scheduled works, Phase 2a of High Speed 2, and associated works; and
 - (b) any stakeholders deemed relevant by a Minister of the Crown.
- (2) The consultation must ask the views of residents and stakeholders listed in subsection (1) in regard to—
 - (a) the impact of road traffic as a result of the works;
 - (b) the impact of the works on the natural environment, including but not limited to the impact on ancient woodland;
 - (c) whether there are sufficient transport provisions for the purposes of passengers connecting to Phase 2a of High Speed 2, and to address changes to general passenger movements caused by the works; and
 - (d) if not, whether the construction of new railway stations and improvements to railway stations, including any associated reopening of lines, is necessary in relation to paragraph (c).
- (3) The report must be laid before both Houses of Parliament and a Minister of the Crown must make a statement to both Houses detailing any steps which will be taken to implement the findings of the report.”

Schedule 2

4 Page 61, line 43, leave out from “paragraph” to “but” in line 44 and insert “5(1) of Schedule 3A to the Communications Act 2003,”

Schedule 4

5 Page 73, line 8, at end insert—

“Roads constructed as highways

- 15A (1) This paragraph applies where under this Act the nominated undertaker constructs a road as a highway.
- (2) The resulting highway is created on the date on which the road is first open for public use.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (2), the date on which the road is first open for public use is the date on which the resulting highway is taken to be first open for public use for the purposes of paragraph 16(2).
- (4) Where the resulting highway is a temporary highway, it ceases to be a highway on the day after the date on which the road is last open for public use.

- (5) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (4), the date on which the road is last open for public use is to be taken to be the date notified by the nominated undertaker, in accordance with sub-paragraph (6), to the highway authority as being the date on which the road is to be last open for public use.
- (6) The notification must be given to the highway authority by the nominated undertaker at least 28 days before the date on which the road is to be last open for public use.”

Schedule 27

- 6 Page 194, line 20, leave out sub-paragraph (3)
- 7 Page 195, line 19, leave out sub-paragraph (6)

Schedule 32

- 8 Page 219, line 21, leave out from “the” to the end of line 23 and insert “code set out in Schedule 3A to the Communications Act 2003”
- 9 Page 219, line 27, leave out “paragraph 23” and insert “Part 10”
- 10 Page 219, line 29, leave out “Paragraphs 21 and 23” and insert “Parts 6 and 10”
- 11 Page 219, line 39, leave out “paragraph 9” and insert “Part 8”
- 12 Page 220, line 4, leave out “paragraph 23” and insert “Part 10”

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