

CROSSRAIL

PETITION

Against the Bill – 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 STEPHEN JOHN ABBOTT AND GLENDA
MARGARET ABBOTT**

SHEWETH as follows:-

1. A Bill (hereinafter called "the Bill") has been introduced into and is now pending in your honourable House entitled "A Bill to make provision for a railway transport system running from Maidenhead in the County of Berkshire, and Heathrow Airport in the London Borough of Hillingdon, through central London to Shenfield in the County of Essex, and Abbey Wood in the London Borough of Greenwich; and for connected purposes".
2. Clauses 1 to 20 set out the Bill's objectives in relation to the construction and operation of the railway transport system mentioned in paragraph 1 above. They include for compulsory acquisition, planning permission, heritage issues, trees and noise. Clauses 21 to 44 of the Bill establish a regulatory regime for the railway transport system and clauses 45 to 59 of the Bill deal with miscellaneous and general provisions.
3. The works proposed to be authorised by the Bill are specified in Schedule 1 to the Bill and the scheduled works are defined in the Bill as the works specified in Schedule 1 to the Bill which are works authorised to be constructed by the nominated undertaker (defined in the Bill and hereinafter referred to as the "nominated undertaker").
4. Your Petitioners are Stephen John Abbott and Glenda Margaret Abbott of "Coniston" 10, Mount Avenue, Hutton Mount, Brentwood, Essex, CM13 2NU. The home is situated on the south side of Mount Avenue, just past the junction of Greenway. The property is a 1930's house and we have lived at this address with our son, Christopher since 1988.
5. Your petitioner's house is close to Shenfield station, Herington Grove and Greenway. According to the Environment statement deposited with the Bill, residents of inter-alia, Herington Grove and Greenway will be significantly affected by noise and or visual impact, to the extent that some residents may be eligible for insulation or even rehousing. Your petitioners will be affected.

6. Your Petitioners and their rights interests and property will be injuriously affected by the proposals in the Bill to which your Petitioners object, for the reasons, amongst others, hereinafter appearing.
7. Your Petitioners object to the expansion of Shenfield station due to the impact on residential and small retail outlets situated to the North of the station, along Hutton Road. To maintain the character of Shenfield, it is essential that the small block of local shops is retained, which will be less likely if the Crossrail project goes ahead.
8. Your Petitioners object to the expansion of Shenfield station, because the local infrastructure, roads and car parking cannot support an expanded Shenfield station. Rayleigh Road and Hutton Road are constantly a long queue of traffic and existing car parks are already full. Users at the expanded station will be forced to park in residential streets, impacting wide areas of Hutton Mount and Shenfield. People will stop shopping at the local shops close to the station because of the traffic congestion and the inability to park.
9. Your Petitioners object to the Crossrail Bill because of the extensive disturbance that will result, for which workable solutions have not been put forward. The Crossrail Environmental Impact Assessment acknowledges that there will be significant noise, dust and floodlighting, which will potentially affect far more properties than those named.
10. Your Petitioners object to the Crossrail Bill because for the duration of the Constructions works, a period of 18 months, 300 car parking spaces (in Hunter Avenue and Friars Avenue) will be lost and no specific plans have been put forward as to what will happen to these cars. Indeed it is difficult to envisage what solution can be put forward, other than parking in residential streets, which will adversely impact many people.
11. Your Petitioners object to the Crossrail Bill because no specific plans have been put forward to deal with the increased congestion in Shenfield Broadway and surrounding areas which will arise. According to the Environmental Statement Deposited with the Bill, approximately 30 lorries per day will access the Shenfield sidings worksite during a peak construction period of a year and two months.
12. Your petitioners object to the Crossrail Project, because to the mature tree removal that will be necessary in Hutton Road and Friars Avenue.
13. There are other clauses and provisions in the Bill, which if passed into law as they now stand, will prejudicially affect the rights and interest of your Petitioners and other clauses and provisions necessary for their protection and benefit are omitted therefrom.

YOUR PETITIONERS THEREFORE

HUMBLY PRAY

Your Honourable House that the Bill may not pass into law as is now stands and that they be heard by themselves, 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 amendments as may be necessary and proper for their protection and benefit.

AND YOUR PETITIONERS will ever pray, &c.