

IN PARLIAMENT
HOUSE OF COMMONS
SESSION 2005-06

CROSSRAIL BILL

Against – 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 Miss Paula Caroline Cresswell

SHEWETH as follows:-

- 1 A Bill (hereinafter referred to as "the bill") has been introduced 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 The Bill is promoted by the Secretary of State for Transport (hereinafter referred to as "the Promoter"). The Preamble to the Bill recites, inter alia, the Construction and maintenance of scheduled works for the construction of an underground railway between, in the west, a tunnel portal at Royal Oak in the City of Westminster and, in the east, tunnel portals at Custom House and Pudding Mill Lane in the London Borough of Newham.
- 3 The Preamble to the bill also recites a shaft and tunnel, for construction purposes, commencing beneath a point 88 metres south-west of the junction of Hanbury Street with Spital Street, passing northwards and terminating beneath a point 126 metres north-east of the junction of Bratley Street with Weaver Street.

- 4 Your Petitioner is the owner of the property 1st floor flat, 55-59 Hanbury Street, London, E1 5JP. The Bill directly and specifically affects your Petitioners property by reason of disturbance and devaluation through construction and ongoing devaluation on completion. Your Petitioner submits that provision should be made for the Promoter to pay compensation on demand for reduction in market or rental value of the property caused by any of the foregoing
- 5 Without prejudice to paragraph 49 your Petitioner requests that provision be made that if, notwithstanding the reports of the experts any noise, pollution or vibration impact or any other health and safety impact is felt by persons or in any of the Properties or any part of them or if any damage is caused from any vibration from the project at any time (including the operation of the trains at any time) all insulation and remedial measures are to be installed by the Promoter to the Petitioners' satisfaction immediately upon request by the Petitioner and at the Promoter's cost. Your Petitioners request that all such remedial measures and method statement are agreed with them in writing in advance.
- 6 Your Petitioner requests that provision be made that the Promoter must pay the costs of alternative accommodation for the occupier of no less quality and standard and in a location as equally convenient and acceptable to your Petitioners occupier to relocate at any stage of the project as a result of detriment or inconvenience caused by works carried out under the Bill.
- 7 Your Petitioner objects to Crossrails proposals to ensure public safety around work sites to minimise the impact on public space such as noise, dust and working hours.
- 8 Your Petitioner objects to Crossrail being allowed provision not to comply with the council's construction code of practice for working hours and minimisation of noise and dust caused by construction work.
- 9 Your Petitioner objects to the hours Crossrail will be allowed to tunnel at the proposed Hanbury Street site due to the undue noise and vibration.

- 10 Your Petitioner also objects because the objects of Crossrail can be adequately pursued without the proposed tunnelling site at Hanbury Street.
- 11 Your Petitioner also objects due to the residential status directly surrounding the proposed site and therefore the environmental impacts to those residents.
- 12 Your Petitioner also objects due to sites being available for consideration, which would impact less on residential areas and the environment.

YOUR PETITIONER therefore humbly prays 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 as the Bill 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 to meet.

AND your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.