

HIGH SPEED RAIL(LONDON-WEST MIDLANDS) BILL.

Against-on Merits-(By Council) &c.

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

THE HUMBLE PETITION of **Raymond Lionel Clausen**

SHOWETH 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 between Euston in London and a junction with the West coast Main Line at Handsacre in Staffordshire, with a spur from Water Orton and for connected in Warwickshire to Curzen Street in Birmingham; and for connected purposes”
2. The Bill is presented By Mr Secretary McLoughlin, supported by the Prime Minister, The Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Secretary Theresa May, Secretary Vince Cable, Secretary Ian Duncan Smith, Secretary Eric Pickles, Secretary Owen Paterson, Secretary Edward Davey, and Mr Robert Goodwill.
3. Clauses 1 to 36 set out the Bill’s objectives in relation to the construction and operation of the railway mentioned in paragraph 1 above. They include provision for the construction of works, highways and road traffic matters, the compulsory acquisition of land and other provisions relating to the use of land, planning permission, heritage issues, trees and noise. They include clauses which would disapply and modify various enactments relating to special categories of land including burial grounds, consecrated land, commons and open spaces, and other matters, including overhead lines, water, building regulations and party walls, street works and the use of lorries.
4. Clauses 37 to 42 of the Bill deal with the regulatory regime for the railway.
5. Clauses 43 to 65 of the Bill set out a number of miscellaneous and general provisions, including provision for the appointment of a nominated undertaker (“The Nominated Undertaker”) to exercise the powers under the Bill, transfer schemes, provisions relating to statutory undertakers and the Crown, provision about the compulsory acquisition of land for regeneration, reinstatement works and provision about further high speed railway works. Provision is also made about the application of Environmental impact Assessment Regulations.
6. The works proposed to be authorised by the Bill are specified in clauses 1 and 2 of and

Schedules 1 and 2 to the Bill. They consist of schedule works, which are described in Schedule 1 to the Bill and other works, which are described in clause 2 of and Schedules 2 and 3 to the Bill.

7. Your Petitioner is the owner of property in Delancey Street and has lived there since October 1975. The property comprises of two houses (Circa late 1840s) and converted into eight Self Contained Flats, of which I own Flat 5 on the First Floor) 17/19 Delancey Street, NW1 7NP. The flat consists of Kitchen and Living Room in the front of the building overlooking Delancey Street and I have vibration with HGVs and road works already, and the noise that goes with it. We are Grade 2 listed as are other houses on the street, so sound proofing can be a problem. I shop most of the time on Camden High Street (M&S and soon Waitrose Boots and others). I now have no car so use Public Transport. Two bus routes use Delancey Street (C2 and 274) and of course the Tube. Your Petitioners property will not be demolished as a result of the Bill but, it is located within 170 ms. (approx) of Cutting where construction of the tunnels begin.

See Camden Cutting Petition for further details also Delancey streets Residents Association Petition.

However Your Petitioner's property is on a residential road which will be used by construction traffic during the construction of the Scheme with over 70 HGVs per day over four years or more.

8. Your Petitioners and their interests are injuriously affected by this Bill, to which Your Petitioner objects for reasons amongst others, hereinafter appearing.
9. Your Petitioner will be 87 years old when this scheme is scheduled to start. The Bill in its present form, will mean I shall be subjected to 24/7 Heavy earth moving Equipment, Lorries and HGVs and General Dirt, Dust and Noise Pollution. Which no doubt will deprive me of sleep and raise my stress levels to alarming heights and result in my death. Added to this the loss of public transport, loss of pavements will inhibit my access to shops and other facilities I have a right to expect. As the HS2 Scheme is planned for 10 years or more, this amounts to the rest of Your Petitioners life time.

The second concern Your Petitioner has is the fabric of the building (circa late 1840s) to the weight of the proposed traffic movements which will cause a great deal of vibration which will cause damage or destruction of my property.

The work (10 to 15 years will also affect the value of my property that would pass down to my children when I die and for which no compensation has been allocated.

10. There are several other options Your Petition would like your Honourable House to consider. The removal of spoil by rail and maybe the canal? Thus not destroying a rather attractive tree lined street with good looking terraced houses to the detriment of Your Petitioner and residents.

Compensation. Your Petitioner would want compensation made up to the current value of my property at the current value, added to that the extra value over the period of the Scheme. Bus routes to be returned, Construction traffic put on main roads, Local Construction

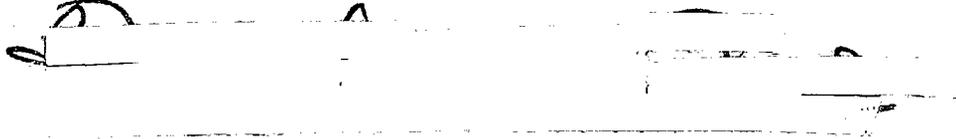
Compounds to be put on the line and not on Streets.

- (1) There are other clauses and provisions of the Bill which, if passed into law as they now stand will prejudicially affect Your Petitioner and his rights, interests and property and for which no adequate provision is made to protect Your Petitioner.

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 Council, 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 Petitioner and in support of such other clauses and provisions as may be necessary or expedient for his protection, or that such other relief may be given to Your Petitioner in the premises as your Honourable House shall deem meet.

AND your Petitioner will ever pray, &c.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Raymond Lionel Clausen', is written over a horizontal dashed line. The signature is somewhat stylized and spans most of the width of the line.

Raymond Lionel Clausen

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