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Dear Mr Bedson


I am writing to you in my capacity as the Director of Hybrid Bill Delivery at HS2 Ltd, which is acting on behalf of the Promoter of the High Speed Rail (West Midlands-Crewe) Bill (‘the Bill’) currently before Parliament. I understand that your clients have a number of concerns about the impact of Phase 2A of HS2 (known as ‘the Proposed Scheme’) and have submitted a petition on that basis against the Bill in the House of Commons.

Following recent discussions, I am writing to you, on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport, to offer your clients the following assurance:

“In this assurance:

“Building A” means the building shown coloured red on the accompanying plan; and

“the Works” means Work No. 62 as shown in part on Replacement Sheet 1-36 of the plans deposited with the Bill.

1.1. Subject to the Bill being enacted in its current form, the Promoter will require the nominated undertaker in the exercise of Bill powers to use reasonable endeavours not to demolish Building A for the purposes of constructing the Proposed Scheme.

1.2. The assurance in paragraph 1.1 is subject to the nominated undertaker concluding that constructing the Works without demolishing Building A would not prejudice the safe, timely and economic delivery of the Proposed Scheme.”

If accepted, this assurance will be included in the Register of Undertakings and Assurances, which is held by the Department for Transport. Drafts of the Register will be published regularly during the passage of the Bill and it will be finalised after Royal Assent. A nominated undertaker will be contractually obliged to comply with all relevant undertakings and assurances set out in the Register. Further information on how the Secretary of State will ensure compliance with assurances made by
HS2 Ltd is set out in HS2 Phase 2A Information Paper B5, Compliance with Undertakings and Assurances1.

If you have any queries please don’t hesitate to contact Richard W Smith, Property Acquisition Manager, on 020 7944 6486 and richardw.smith@hs2.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

Oliver Bayne
Director, Hybrid Bill Delivery
High Speed Two (HS2) Limited

1 A copy can be found at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/understanding-the-hybrid-bill-hs2-phase-2a-information-papers
Dear Mr Bedson

HIGH SPEED RAIL (WEST MIDLANDS – CREWE) BILL – HOUSE OF COMMONS SELECT COMMITTEE:
PETITION HS2-P2A-000014 – MR RICHARD & MRS HANA PLANT, MR & MRS E ANDERSON, MRS
SUSAN MARGINSON - WALTON HOUSE FARM, THE COTTAGE, POOL HOUSE FARM

I am writing to you in my capacity as the Director of Hybrid Bill Delivery at HS2 Ltd, which is acting on behalf of the Promoter of the High Speed Rail (West Midlands-Crewe) Bill ('the Bill') currently before Parliament. I understand that your clients have a number of concerns about the impact of Phase 2A of HS2 (known as ‘the Proposed Scheme’) and have submitted a petition on that basis against the Bill in the House of Commons.

I am writing to you, on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport, to offer your clients the following assurances:

“In these assurances:

“Additional Provision” means an additional provision to the Bill;

“Bill” means the High Speed Rail (West Midlands- Crewe) Bill as deposited in the House of Commons on 17 July 2017;

“Blue Land” means the land shaded blue on Plan 1;

“Footpath 32” means the public footpath shown for identification purposes only with a broken orange line and labelled ‘FP 32’;

“Footpath Diversion” means the diversion of Footpath 32 as shown on Plan 1 as a solid orange line and labelled ‘FP 32’ including the element of further diversion indicated by the pink solid line on Plan 1;

“the Petitioners” means Richard and Hana Plant, Mr & Mrs E Anderson, Mrs Susan Marginson being the freehold owners of the Property;
“Plan 1” means the attached plan bearing document number ‘2PT01-ARP-EV-DPL-000-056221 Rev P04’;

“Plan 2” means the attached plan bearing document number ‘P2A-HS2-HY-MAP-A000-000140’;
“Promoter” means the Secretary of State (or any successor Secretary of State or Minister holding the transport portfolio) and includes so far as relevant any nominated undertaker exercising any powers or functions under the Bill once enacted;

“Property” means Walton House Farm, Common Lane, Stone, Staffordshire as shown edged red on Plan 2;

“Proposed Scheme” means Phase 2a of HS2 as defined further in the Bill;

Tree Planting

1.1 Subject to the Bill being enacted in its current form, in undertaking the Proposed Scheme the Promoter will install hedgerow on the Blue Land in lieu of tree planting on that land provided that doing so would not give rise to any significant impact on the environment which has not been assessed in the Environmental Statement for the Proposed Scheme but that does not preclude consideration being given to any proposals for such modifications.

Footpath Diversion

1.2 The Promoter will use reasonable endeavours to promote the Footpath Diversion within Additional Provision 2.

1.3 Subject to the successful promotion of Additional Provision 2 and the receipt of all necessary approvals and consents the Promoter will, in undertaking the Proposed Scheme, carry out the works to complete the Footpath Diversion.”

If accepted, the assurances set out above will be included in the Register of Undertakings and Assurances, which is held by the Department for Transport. Drafts of the Register will be published regularly during the passage of the Bill and it will be finalised after Royal Assent. A nominated undertaker will be contractually obliged to comply with all relevant undertakings and assurances set out in the Register. Further information on how the Secretary of State will ensure compliance with assurances made by HS2 Ltd is set out in HS2 Phase 2A Information Paper B5, Compliance with Undertakings and Assurances1.

I hope that the information set out above in relation to the issues raised in your client’s petition to the House of Commons gives your client the comfort required in order to withdraw their petition.

Petitions may be withdrawn by sending an email or letter to the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons informing the Clerk to the Select Committee that you wish to withdraw your petition2.

If you have any queries please don’t hesitate to contact Simon Pearce, Head of Operations - Acquisitions, Property Acquisitions, on 020 7944 6290 and simon.pearce@HS2.org.uk.

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1 A copy can be found at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/understanding-the-hybrid-bill-hs2-phase-2a-information-papers
2 Contact details can be found on the Select Committee website at http://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/commons-select/high-speed-rail-west-midlands-crewe-bill-select-committee-commons/contact-us-17-19/
Yours sincerely

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