The Network Rail (Cambridgeshire Level Crossing Reduction) Order

Network Rail Note: 004

Level crossings C14 Eastrea Cross Drove and C15 Brickyard Drove

OBJ/23- Mr Martin White- Parish of Whittlesey, plot Nos. 32, 33 and 35

On day 1 of the Inquiry, Network Rail was advised by the Inspector that she had been informed by Mr White, an objector to the Order, that he had not received a landowner notice in relation to Crossing C14 Eastrea Drove. The Inspector wishes to be satisfied that such notice was provided.

Network Rail can confirm that the correct notices were given to Mr White in accordance with Rule 15 of the Transport and Works (Applications and Objections Procedure) Rules 2006 ("Rules").

Rule 15 provides as follows:

"Notices to owners, occupiers etc.

15.—(1) The applicant shall, forthwith after the application has been made, serve a notice in the form of Form 5 in Schedule 2 to these Rules (in this rule referred to as "Form 5"") upon all those, other than the applicant and the owner of any Crown interest, named in the book of reference described in rule 12(8)"

Notices were served on Mr White in respect of plots 32, 33 and 35, as set out in the spreadsheet appended to this note at Appendix 1.

These are all the plots in which Mr White has an interest as identified in the book of reference (NR9) submitted with the application. (It is apparent from the book of reference that parcel 34 was not used.)

The form of the notice is therefore prescribed by the Applications Rules.

The relevant notices cited both crossings C14 and C15. Please see the following extract of the wording from these notices:

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In the District of Fenland.

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As can be seen from the form of the notice at Appendix 1, the landowner's attention is drawn to the application and where the application documents can be inspected. Copies of the notices served on Mr White are included at Appendix 2. The landowner's notice also includes the relevant extracts from the Order plans, sheet 1 (in respect of crossing C15) and sheet 2 (in respect of crossing C14) of which are at Appendix 3. The Order also states as follows:

"Note:

The description of the land in which you have an interest, and the plan or plans attached to this notice, are extracts from the book of reference and the plans submitted with the application and which may be inspected in full at the places mentioned above."

Network Rail's property agents, Bruton Knowles, confirm that letters dated 6 January 2017 and 24 January 2017 were sent to Mr White inviting him to consult with Network Rail, but no response was received. Bruton Knowles advise that Mr White first made contact with them by telephone on 20 March 2017 regarding the receipt of the formal notices sent to him. On this call Mr White advised that he would be objecting to the proposal but we are told that no meeting was arranged or requested.

Network Rail wrote to Mr White by letter dated 23 October in response to his objection. The letter heading refers to the crossing with which Mr White's objection was concerned but clearly

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references the correct plots 32, 33 and 35 in bold in the heading. A copy of that letter is at **Appendix 4**. This letter contained the following paragraph:

"In response to your comment regarding the issue of notices, our agent Bruton Knowles issued notices to you for plots 33, 34 and 35 on the 17th March 2017. Notices of the application for the Order were sent for each land parcel in accordance with the Transport & Works Act (Applications and Objections Procedure) Rules 2006. The notices do not specify an exact crossing. You should have received copies of Order Plan sheets 1 and 2 with the notices and I have enclosed copies of both plans."

It is unfortunate that the body of the formal response letter to this Objector referred to an unused parcel of land (parcel 34) instead of plot 32. However, we respectfully suggest that this was evidently a typo and, in any event, this Objector had been properly served of notice of the application in compliance with the Applications Rules and has been involved in engagement with Network Rail.

Winckworth Sherwood 30 November 2017

Appendices:

- 1. Spreadsheet of landowner notices served on Mr White.
- 2. Copy of notices served on Mr White.
- 3. Sheet 1 and 2 of the Order plans.
- 4. Network Rail's response letter dated 23 October 2017.

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Proposed Network Rail (Cambridgeshire Level Crossing Reduction) Order

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO TEMPORARILY USE LAND

Notice No: 137

To: Martin White Smalleys Farm Burnt House Road Turves Peterborough PE7 2DP

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- Parish of Westley Waterless: C30 Westley Road.

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- Parish of Harston: C07 No.37;

Parish of Meldreth; C04 No.20.

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A copy of the application and of all plans and other documents submitted may be inspected free of charge from 14 March 2017 to 25 April 2017 at the following places and times:

Place	Times	
Great Shelford Library 10-12 Woollards Lane, Great Shelford, CB22 5LZ	Mondays Tuesdays Wednesdays Thursdays Fridays Saturdays Sundays	3pm - 7pm 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 5pm 10am - 1pm Closed 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 6pm 10am - 1pm
Waterbeach Library Access Point Community Centre, High Street,	Mondays Tuesdays Wednesdays Thursdays	2.45pm-5pm Closed 6pm - 8pm Closed

Waterbeach,	Fridays	2pm - 5.30pm
CB25 9JU	Saturdays	10am - 12noon
	Sundays	Closed
Littleport Library	Mondays Tuesdays	10am - 5pm
Town Hall.	Wednesdays	Closed 10am - 5pm
Victoria Street.	Thursdays	2pm - 5pm
Littleport,	Fridays	10am - 1pm
CB6 1LU	Saturdays	10am - 1pm
	Sundays	Closed
	Mondays	7pm - 9pm
Little Downham Library Access Point	Tuesdays	Closed
Village Hall,	Wednesdays	2pm - 4.30pm
Main Street,	Thursdays	Closed
Little Downham,	Fridays	10am - 1pm
CB6 2ST	Saturdays	Closed
	Sundays	Closed
Haddenham Library Access Point	Mondays	2.30pm - 5pm and 6pm - 7.30pm
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Ely Library	Tuesdays	9.30am - 5pm
6 The Cloisters,	Wednesdays	9.30am - 5pm
Ely,	Thursdays	9.30am - 7pm
CB7 4ZH	Fridays	9.30am - 5pm
	Saturdays	9.30am - 4pm
	Sundays	Closed
	Mondays	9am - 5pm
Soham Library	Tuesdays	9am - 1pm
7 Clay Street,	Wednesdays	Closed
Soham,	Thursdays	9am - 5pm
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Bottisham Village College,	Wednesdays	10am – 11:30am
Lode Road, Bottisham,	Thursdays	3pm – 5pm
CB25 9DL	Fridays	6pm – 8pm
0220 022	Saturdays	10am – 12:00noon
	Sundays	Closed
East Cambridgeshire District Council	Mondays	08:45am - 5pm
Planning Administration Team	Tuesdays	08:45am - 5pm
East Cambridgeshire District Council	Wednesdays	08:45am - 5pm
The Grange,	Thursdays	08:45am - 5pm
Nutholt Lane	Fridays	08:45am - 4:30pm
ELY	Saturdays	Closed
CB7 4PL	Sundays	Closed
South Cambridgeshire District Council	Mondays	8am - 5:30pm
Democratic Services Officer	Tuesdays	8am - 5:30pm
South Cambridgeshire District Council	Wednesdays	8am - 5:30pm
South Cambridgeshire Hall	Thursdays	8am - 5:30pm
Cambourne Business Park	Fridays	8am - 5:30pm
Cambourne	Saturdays	Closed
CB23 6EA	Sundays	Closed
Fenland District Council	Mondays	9am - 5pm
Head of Legal Services	Tuesdays	9am - 5pm
Fenland District Council	Wednesdays	9am - 5pm
Fenland Hall	Thursdays	9am - 5pm
County Road	Fridays	9am - 4:45pm
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Cambridgeshire County Council,	Tuesdays	9am - 5pm
Highways Service,	Wednesdays	9am - 5pm
Box No. SH1313,	Thursdays	9am - 5pm
Shire Hall,	Fridays	9am – 4.30pm
Castle Street,	Saturdays	Closed
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Copies of the documents will also be available online through Network Rail's website at www.networkrail.co.uk/anglialevelcrossings from 14 March 2017. They can also be provided on request from anglialevelcrossings@networkrail.co.uk or telephone 03457 11 41 41. A reasonable copying charge may apply, up to a maximum of £200 for the full suite of documents and £5 for an electronic copy on CD. Copies of individual documents are also available on request.

Further information about the proposals can be obtained from Network Rail on the above telephone number.

Any objections to, or other representations about, the proposals in the TWA application should be sent to the Secretary of State for Transport c/o Transport and Works Act Orders Unit, General Counsel's Office, Department for Transport, Zone 1/18, Great Minster House, 33 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 4DR, email transportandworksact@dft.gsi.gov.uk

An objection or representation MUST (i) be received by the Secretary of State on or before 25 April 2017, (ii) be made in writing (whether sent by post or email), (iii) state the grounds of the objection or other representation, (iv) indicate who is making the objection or representation, and (v) give an address to which correspondence relating to the objection or representation may be sent. (If you are sending your objection or other representation by e-mail, please provide a postal address and state "Network Rail Cambridgeshire Level Crossing Reduction Order" in the subject of the email.)

Where an objection is made (and not withdrawn) by a person who is an owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of any land which is subject to compulsory purchase in the draft order, and that person so requests in writing, the Secretary of State must hold a public local inquiry or otherwise give that person an opportunity to be heard. However, this rule will not apply where the objection appears to the Secretary of State to be frivolous or trivial, or to relate to matters which fall to be determined by a tribunal concerned with the assessment of compensation.

The Secretary of State may make complete copies of the objections and other representations public, including any personal information in them, and will copy them to the applicant for the Order.

Signed:

Winckworth Sherwood LLP

On behalf of:

Network Rail Infrastructure Limited

Dated:

14 March 2017

Name and Status

of signatory

Winckworth Sherwood LLP, Solicitors and Parliamentary Agents for the

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SCHEDULE 1

Description of land and/or buildings affected by the proposed compulsory powers

No. on attached plan	Extent and description of land
Plot No 32	12.09 square metres of drain and arable field to the east of Wype Road, Eastrea, Cambridgeshire

Sheet 01

TRANSPORT AND WORKS ACT 1992

TRANSPORT AND WORKS (APPLICATIONS AND OBJECTIONS PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND AND WALES) RULES 2006

NETWORK RAIL (CAMBRIDGESHIRE LEVEL CROSSING REDUCTION) ORDER

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Waterbeach Library Access Point Community Centre, High Street,	Mondays Tuesdays Wednesdays Thursdays	2.45pm-5pm Closed 6pm - 8pm Closed

Waterbeach,	Fridays	2pm - 5.30pm
CB25 9JU	Saturdays	10am - 12noon
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Lode Road, Bottisham,	Thursdays	3pm – 5pm
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The Secretary of State may make complete copies of the objections and other representations public, including any personal information in them, and will copy them to the applicant for the Order.

Signed:

Winckworth Sherwood LLP

On behalf of:

Network Rail Infrastructure Limited

Dated:

14 March 2017

Name and Status

of signatory

Winckworth Sherwood LLP, Solicitors and Parliamentary Agents for the

applicant, Minerva House, 5 Montague Close, London, SE1 9BB

Note:

The description of the land in which you have an interest, and the plan or plans attached to this notice, are extracts from the book of reference and the plans submitted with the application and which may be inspected in full at the places mentioned above.

SCHEDULE 1 Description of land and/or buildings affected by the proposed compulsory powers

No. on attached plan	Extent and description of land
Plot No 33	1081.64 square metres of arable field to the east of Wype Road, Eastrea, Cambridgeshire

Sheet 01

TRANSPORT AND WORKS ACT 1992

TRANSPORT AND WORKS (APPLICATIONS AND OBJECTIONS PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND AND WALES) RULES 2006

NETWORK RAIL (CAMBRIDGESHIRE LEVEL CROSSING REDUCTION) ORDER

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO TEMPORARILY USE LAND

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The Transport and Works Act 1992

The Transport and Works (Applications and Objections Procedure) (England and Wales) Rules 2006

Proposed Network Rail (Cambridgeshire Level Crossing Reduction) Order

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO TEMPORARILY USE LAND

Notice No: 143

To: Martin White Smalleys Farm Burnt House Road Turves Peterborough PE7 2DP

Network Rail Infrastructure Limited ("Network Rail") of 1 Eversholt Street, London, NW1 2DN, is applying to the Secretary of State for Transport under section 6 of the Transport and Works Act 1992, for the above-mentioned Order under sections 1 and 5 of that Act.

This Order confers powers on Network Rail to close or downgrade the following level crossings: In the District of Fenland,

- Parish of Whittlesey: C15 Brickyard Drove and C14 Eastrea Cross Drove;
- Parish of March: C13 Middle Drove and C12 Silt Drove

In the District of East Cambridgeshire:

- Parish of Downham: C11 Furlong Drove and C10 Coffue Drove;
- Parish of Ely: C09 Second Drove, C24 Cross Keys, C16 Prickwillow 2, C17 Prickwillow 1, C08 Ely North Junction, C22 Wells Engine and C21 Newmarket Bridge;
- Parish of Littleport: C25 Clayway, C26 Poplar Drove, C27 Willow Road/Willow Row and C28 Black Horse Drove;
- Parish of Soham: C20 Leonards;
- Parish of Fordham: C18 Munceys;
- Parish of Thetford: C03 West River Bridge;
- Parish of Stretham: C02 Nairns No.117;
- Parish of Westley Waterless: C30 Westley Road.

In the Districts of East Cambridgeshire and South Cambridgeshire:

Parishes of Brinkley and Little Wilbraham: C29 Cassells.

In the District of South Cambridgeshire:

- Parish of Waterbeach: C33 Jack O'Tell (Adam's Crossing), C01 Chittering, C34 Fysons and C35 Ballast Pit;
- Parish of Harston: C07 No.37:

Parish of Meldreth; C04 No.20.

In relation to these closures or downgrades the Order authorises in the County of Cambridgeshire, Districts of Fenland, East Cambridgeshire and South Cambridgeshire and in the County of Suffolk, District of Forest Heath, the carrying out of works including the removal of the crossings and the diversion or redesignation of the status of certain footpaths, public roads, bridleways, restricted byways or byways open to all traffic and the creation of new rights of way. The Order also authorises the construction of the following specific works in connection with the creation of new public rights of way:

- In the District of Fenland, Parish of Whittlesey: Works Nos 1 and 2 (footbridges carrying paths over a drain/watercourse);
- In the District of East Cambridgeshire, Parish of Ely: Works Nos 3, 4 and 5 (footbridges carrying paths over a drain/watercourse);
- In the District of East Cambridgeshire, Parish of Littleport: Work No 6 (bridge carrying bridleway over a drain/watercourse);
- In the District of East Cambridgeshire, Parish of Soham: Work No 7 (footbridge carrying path over a drain/watercourse); and
- In the District of South Cambridgeshire, Parish of Waterbeach: Works Nos 8 and 9 (footbridges carrying paths over a drain/watercourse).

The Order also authorises alteration to the highway at Station Road/Lynn Road in the District of East Cambridgeshire, Parish of Littleport adjacent to C31 Littleport Station.

The Order also confers powers for the construction and maintenance of works, including the creation of new rights of way; provides for compensation to be paid for any person who suffers loss as a result of the extinguishment of a private right of way; applies the compensation provisions of the Highways Act 1980 to the creation of new rights of way; permits Network Rail to acquire land and interests in land, including the temporary use of land, in connection with the construction of the scheduled and authorised works; authorises the permanent and temporary stopping up of streets; works in streets, traffic regulation; and related purposes.

The draft Order provides for

the temporary use of the land described in schedule 1 below, in which it is believed you have an interest.

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Signed:

Winckworth Sherwood LLP

On behalf of:

Network Rail Infrastructure Limited

Dated:

14 March 2017

Name and Status of signatory

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SCHEDULE 1

Description of land and/or buildings affected by the proposed compulsory powers

No. on attached plan	Extent and description of land
Plot No 35	10.53 square metres of drain and bed thereof to the west of Cross Drove, Eastrea, Cambridgeshire

Sheet 01

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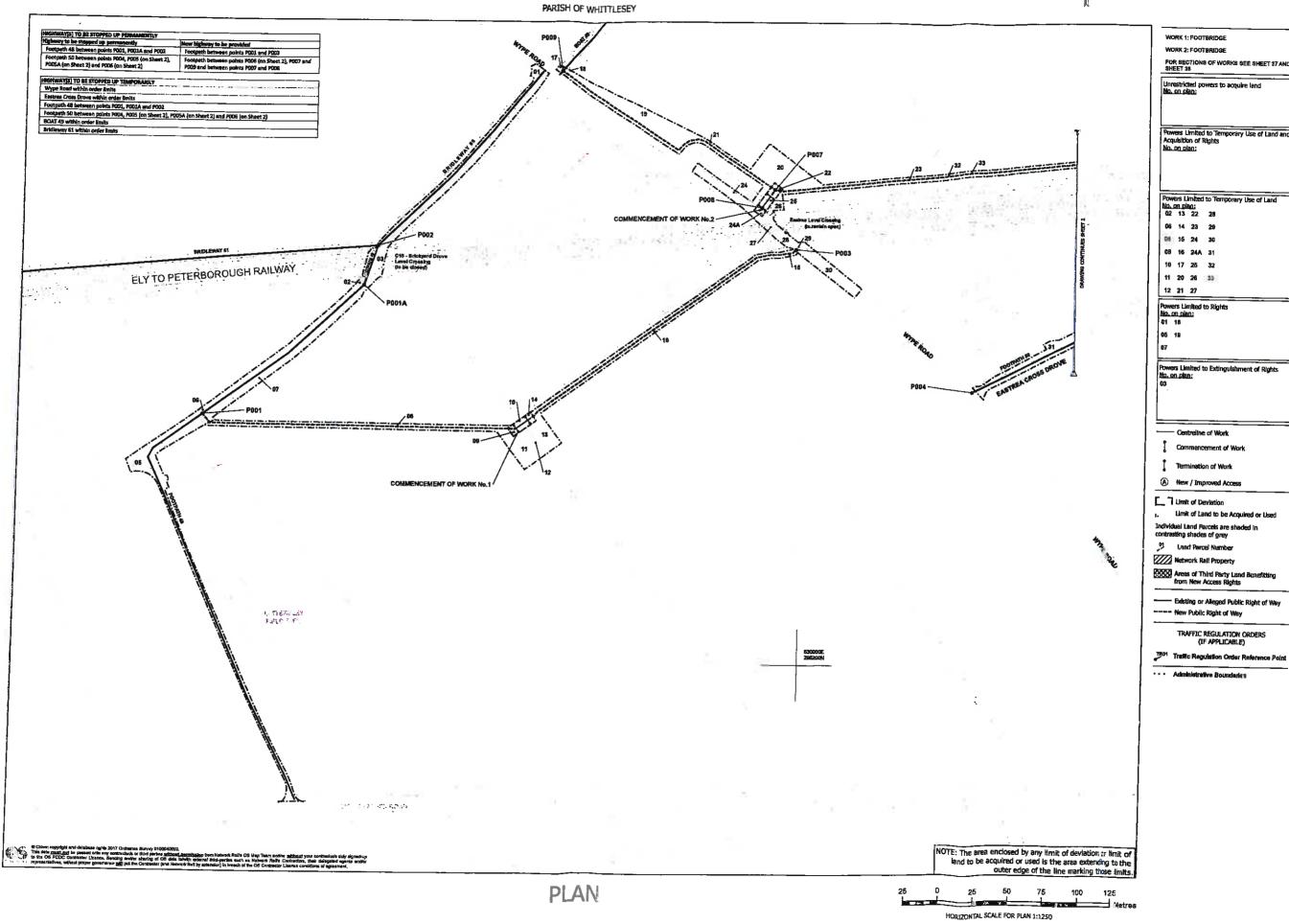
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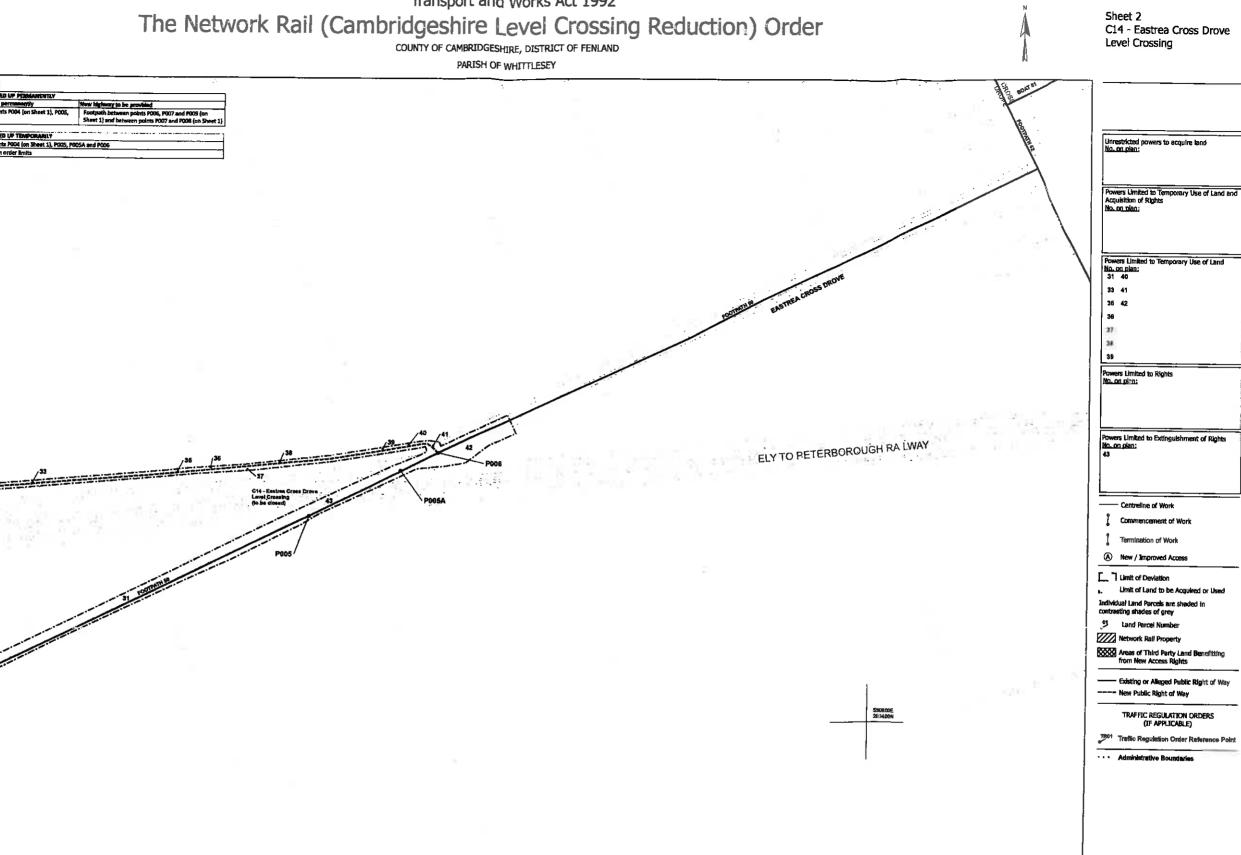
The Network Rail (Cambridgeshire Level Crossing Reduction) Order COUNTY OF CAMBRIDGESHIRE, DISTRICT OF FENLAND

Sheet 1 C15 - Brickyard Drove Level Crossing

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Transport and Works Act 1992



NOTE: The area enclosed by any limit of deviation or limit of land to be acquired or used is the area extending to the outer edge of the line marking those limits.

HORIZONTAL SCALE FOR PLAN 1:1250



Mr Martin White Smalleys Farm Burnt House Road Turves Peterborough PE7 2DP

Network Rail James Forbes House 27 Great Suffolk St London SE1 ONS

23 October 2017

Ref: Obj/23/CAMB/R001

Dear Mr White

The Network Rail (Cambridgeshire Level Crossing Reduction) Order

Level crossing C14 Eastrea Cross Drove

Parish of Whittlesey, plot Nos. 32, 33 and 35 (sheet 1 and sheet 2)

The Department for Transport has passed us your letter of objection to the proposed Order dated 27 April 2017, which has been allocated the reference OBJ/23. We have also received your Statement of Case.

We note your concerns and, in the following paragraphs, we respond to the points you raise. We set out below the current and proposed status of the level crossing referred to in your objection.

Level Crossing	Current Status	Proposed Status
C14 Eastrea	Public footpath	Closed. New replacement footpath to Eastrea
Cross Drove		level crossing.

We set out below the strategic context and background against which the Order is brought forward.

Network Rail is responsible for the management and safe and efficient operation of the railway network. It operates under and is bound by the terms of its licence under the Railways Act 1993. It is regulated by the Office of Rail and Road (ORR).

In accordance with the terms of its licence and the strategic aims and policies of the ORR, Network Rail has a duty to ensure the safety of users of the railway and to promote improvements in railway services by cost effective and efficient management of the network. It is also legally responsible for safety on and around

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the railway, including at level crossings, not only for those using the railway, but members of the public who may otherwise come into contact with it. Network Rail is thus obliged to protect the public from the dangers of the railway so far as reasonably practicable.

As is recognised by the ORR in its Level Crossings Policy, the removal of level crossings is the most effective way to achieve this objective, removing the interface between trains and highway users entirely.

ORR's strategy for health and safety regulation of level crossings makes clear that it will encourage crossing closure, and ensure that all risk assessments consider this first, in line with the principles of prevention.

In accordance with that objective, Network Rail has established a long term strategy of reducing level crossing risk (see *Transforming Level Crossings 2015-2040*). Closure of level crossings is the most effective way of removing the risk from the network. Reducing the number of level crossings will also remove constraints on the railway to enable enhancement of capacity and improvement of line speed (in association with other schemes) and to secure operation and maintenance of the network in a timely, efficient and economical manner in accordance with Network Rail's statutory duties and licence.

For further information about Network Rail's strategic aims please refer to Network Rail's Statement of Case which has been sent to you. The Statement can also be found at:

https://www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/our-routes/anglia/anglia-level-crossings/.

To address the specific points you raise in your objection:

You refer to a statutory requirement as laid down by the byelaws that no construction is permitted within 9m of a drainage channel. Article 4 of the proposed Order disapplies section 23 (prohibition on obstacles in watercourses) of the Land Drainage Act 1991, and also the provisions of any byelaws made under, or having effect as if made under, section 66 (powers to make byelaws) of that Act which require consent or approval for the carrying out of the works. However, the Order substitutes provisions for the protection of drainage authorities and the Environment Agency which include arrangements for approval of plans by the drainage authority before relevant works authorised by the Order can commence.

In other words, although the Order disapplies the requirement for in-principle consent to works near an internal drainage board drain (because the Secretary of State would have authorised the principle of those works), Network Rail must nevertheless secure the approval of the local drainage board to its detailed plans for relevant

works. That approval may be subject to the reasonable requirements of the drainage board.

The nature of the work Network Rail is proposing to carry out in this location, to provide an unsurfaced footpath (a grass strip) two metres wide, is unlikely to require approval from the Internal Drainage Board however if there are any works requiring approval, these will be discussed with the IDB during detailed design.

You say that Network Rail's proposal will sever the land between the footpath and the drainage channel and that this will be unworkable for modern agricultural practices. You propose that the area of land between the drainage channel and footpath is purchased by Network Rail. Network Rail would be unable to justify the purchase of this land when all that is required is the right to create a public right of way (PROW). Network Rail's responsibilities in managing public money would preclude this.

Network Rail is seeking temporary occupation of your land to create a new PROW. Network Rail will maintain the new PROW for a period of 12 months after completion of construction. Following this, the new PROW will be adopted and maintained by Cambridgeshire County Council and the land will remain in your ownership.

You are concerned that once the footpath has been created, it will not be possible to work those edges of the field where the route is located. It is not uncommon for PROWs to pass along field boundaries or across fields that are in agricultural production. Network Rail's proposal locates the footpath against the boundary to reduce the impact on agriculture.

In your Statement of Case, you question the need for the new footpath as there is already a footpath which runs up Cross Drove to Lake Drove and on to Wype Road, and usage of the existing level crossing is low. You are correct that the use of the existing route is low; however the footpath network is the responsibility of the highway authority, which is not prepared to allow the route to be simply extinguished. Diversion of users to the existing byway to the north (which you refer to as a footpath) would represent an extinguishment of the PROW, and would result in increased diversion lengths for users and increased walking on roads and highway verges. Network Rail is under an obligation under the Transport & Works Act 1992 to provide a suitable alternative route unless it can satisfy the Secretary of State that no alternative route is required. This has resulted in finding a solution to continue to offer connectivity for the footpath network.

You say that if a new footpath is required then it should be located on the land that lies between the railway line and the drainage channel, instead of the field side of the drain. Locating the footpath in this area of the embankment was considered as an early design option but dismissed for various reasons, including uncertainty regarding access and the presence of structures at the eastern end; maintenance of

the ditches and spreading of arisings on this narrow strip. The field margin option offers a suitable and convenient route and was publicly consulted upon during the Round 1 and Round 2 public consultation events in 2016.

In response to your comment regarding the issue of notices, our agent Bruton Knowles issued notices to you for plots 33, 34 and 35 on 17 March 2017. Notices of application for the Order were sent for each land parcel in accordance with the Transport & Works Act (Applications and Objections Procedure) Rules 2006. The notices do not specify an exact crossing. You would have received Order Plan sheets 1 and 2 with the notices but we enclosed copies of both plans for ease of reference.

Network Rail has complied with all requirements of the Transport & Works Act (Applications and Objections Procedure) Rules 2006 and has conducted extensive consultation as summarised in the consultation report (NR5). We have sought to balance the needs of the highway authority, landowners, users of PROWs and other interested parties in developing our proposals. We are sorry that you feel you have not been able to hold constructive discussions with Network Rail or our representatives to discuss alternative options. Our agents, Gateley Hamer wrote to you on 2 December 2016 and a telephone conversation was held on 7 December 2016. Our subsequent agents, Bruton Knowles, also contacted you by letter on 6 January 2017. As far as they are aware, you only contacted Bruton Knowles on 20 March 2017 following your receipt of the notices.

We hope that our response has provided sufficient clarity on each of the points made in your objection but we recognise that it will not alleviate your concerns. If you do feel able to withdraw your objection, we would be grateful if you would kindly inform the Department for Transport.

Meanwhile, if you require further information please do not hesitate to contact me at the address above or by email to ALCross@networkrail.co.uk, quoting the reference number provided.

Yours sincerely

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Anglia Level Crossing Reduction Team Network Rail

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Order Plan Sheet 1 (C15 level crossing)

Order Plan Sheet 2 (C14 level crossing)

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