

## TRANSPORT AND WORKS ACT 1992

### ROTHER VALLEY RAILWAY LIMITED PROPOSED ROTHER VALLEY RAILWAY (BODIAM TO ROBERTSBRIDGE JUNCTION) ORDER

#### NOTES FOLLOWING VIRTUAL PRE-INQUIRY MEETING

Held on 19 May 2021

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#### 1. Introduction

1.1. At the start of the Pre-Inquiry Meeting, the Inspector welcomed all present and introduced himself as **Ian Jenkins** (BSc(Hons) CEng MICE MCIWEM). He has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport to hold an Inquiry into the proposed Transport and Works Act Order.

1.2. **Mrs Joanna Vincent** has been appointed as the Programme Officer for the Inquiry. She is a neutral officer of the Inquiry, responsible to the Inspector. Her main duties, under the direction of the Inspector are:

1. keeping records of those attending the pre-Inquiry meeting and Inquiry;
2. organising and keeping under review the Inquiry programme;
3. organising practical arrangements for the Inquiry, including co-ordinating and advising on appearances;
4. acting as a contact between participants and the Inspector;
5. co-ordinating the receipt and distribution of documents;
6. holding a master set of all documents (inc Inquiry Library) and maintaining document lists; and,
7. planning site visits.

She will play no part in the Inspector's report to the Secretary of State beyond helping with the collation of lists of those appearing at the Inquiry and of Inquiry documents, which will be appended to it.

1.3. The Programme Officers' contact details are given below:

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## **2. Scope of the Inquiry**

- 2.1. The Inquiry will be into the proposed *Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order*.

## **3. Purpose of the pre-Inquiry meeting**

- 3.1. The primary purpose of the meeting was to enable all concerned to discuss procedural matters relating to the Inquiry, which is due to open in a virtual format on 6 July 2021. It should help everyone to make the best use of their time between now and the Inquiry and help the proceedings to run smoothly.
- 3.2. The secondary purpose of the meeting was to give participants an opportunity to familiarise themselves with the Microsoft Teams platform which will be used to facilitate the Inquiry.

## **4. Parties present and appearances at the Inquiry**

- 4.1. Parties appearing at the Inquiry may do so in person and may be represented by counsel, a solicitor or some other representative. The *Transport & Works (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 2004* (TW Inquiry Rules) confirm that the persons entitled to appear at an Inquiry are: the applicant, in this case Rother Valley Railways Limited (RVR); any statutory objector; and, any other person who has served a Statement of Case under Rule 7. It is a matter for the Inspector to determine whether any other person may appear at the Inquiry.
- 4.2. When making a case, prospective participants should bear in mind that if a point is a good one, and is supported by relevant evidence, it needs to be made only once in order to carry weight. Repeating the point will not add to that weight but will simply waste Inquiry time. With that in mind it may be that arguments for or against the proposals could be made more effectively and succinctly by one person/organisation than by many individuals making the same points in slightly different ways. The Inspector urged parties/individuals to get together wherever possible to present joint cases through a single spokesperson. In order to ensure that the Inquiry is completed as expeditiously as possible, the Inspector will intervene to prevent any unnecessary repetition.
- 4.3. Details of those who have identified themselves as representing parties who wish to appear at the Inquiry and their proposed representation at the Inquiry, where known, are appended at Appendix 1 (in most cases each has a reference number reflecting the nature of their interest for

example, OBJ/ (objector), SUPP/ (supporter) or REP/ (neutral representation).

- 4.4. The absence of any party from the pre-Inquiry meeting will not of itself preclude their participation at the Inquiry.
- 4.5. People who do not need or wish to speak at the Inquiry will, nonetheless, be welcome to attend as observers. In considering the Order, the Inspector will take account of all of the evidence heard at the Inquiry, as well as written representations received before it closes. However, greater weight can be attached to evidence given at the Inquiry which is open to testing through cross-examination.

## **5. Inquiry format, dates and times**

- 5.1. The Inquiry is proposed to open in a virtual format at 10.00 hrs on Tuesday 6 July 2021.
- 5.2. The Inspector confirmed that the proposed virtual Inquiry-Microsoft Teams format has been successfully used by the Planning Inspectorate as the means of safely and reliably progressing Inquiry casework over the course of the pandemic, when the traditional approach of in-person events has not been possible or could not be arranged without a significant risk of disruption. Furthermore, the Planning Inspectorate has indicated that nothing will change for its work immediately on the 21 June 2021 when restrictions on social contact are planned to be lifted. Although the road map sets out the Government's plan, this depends on a number factors and the Planning Inspectorate does not yet know for certain when wholly in-person events involving significant numbers of people will be able to re-start safely and reliably.
- 5.3. The Inspector indicated that the Programme Officer has recently received correspondence from a few people indicating that whilst they would wish to give evidence at the Inquiry, they would be unable to do so using the Microsoft Teams platform, for a variety of reasons. OBJ/1002 indicated that they have also been approached by a small number of people expressing similar concerns. RVR suggested that, if the numbers are relatively small, it may be possible to safely and reliably arrange for them to be heard in-person at the Woodlands Centre over 1-2 days of the otherwise virtual Inquiry proceedings.
- 5.4. **Actions**-The Inspector indicated that he is willing to investigate the possibility of an exception being made for a small number of people, who wish to give oral evidence and would not be able to do so other than in person. To that end, he asked OBJ/1002 to confirm the details of the parties they referred to by 21 May 2021. The Programme Officer will then contact them and the others who have written on the matter in order to understand their needs. In addition, the Inspector asked RVR to investigate whether safe and reliable arrangements could be made to use the Woodlands Centre for that purpose over 1-2 days of the Inquiry (it would be likely to be necessary to make arrangements for those interested parties not at the venue to be able to continue to

follow the proceedings remotely, for example via Teams). In light of the outcome of those investigations, the Inspector hopes to make a decision on the matter by the end of May 2021. RVR's desire to make any necessary facilities arrangements as soon as possible was noted.

- 5.5. If others have a computer or tablet and simply require some guidance and support with respect to access to and use of the Microsoft Teams platform, they should contact the Programme Officer.
- 5.6. Last year, it was provisionally estimated that the Inquiry would sit for 16 days over 4 weeks (6-9 July; 13-16 July; 20-23 July; and 27-30 July). The Inspector indicated that in light of the number of witnesses now identified by the parties, it is possible that it may be necessary to also sit the following week and he asked whether anyone would be unable to sit then. Only RVR, OBJ/1002 and HE indicated that they would need to check with their teams before responding. **Action**-RVR, OBJ/1002 and HE to confirm whether they are available to sit week commencing 2 August 2021 by 25 May 2021.
- 5.7. A better idea of the length of the Inquiry will emerge once estimates of the time needed for the various stages in the Inquiry have been provided by the parties and a programme has been drafted. More on this below in section 12.
- 5.8. The Inquiry will generally sit at the following times:
  - 10.00 hrs to about 17.00 hrs  
(Sessions will typically be up to 1.5-2.0 hours long, there will be a break for lunch around 13.00 hrs, and a short break at a convenient point mid-morning and afternoon).
- 5.9. Once the Inquiry is underway the Inspector may decide to start earlier and/or finish later. Any changes to sitting times will be announced at the Inquiry.

## **6. Main issues and areas of agreement**

- 6.1. The Secretary of State has circulated a Statement of Matters about which he wishes to be informed. The document is available on the Inquiry website, details of which are set out below in paragraph 8.1. Further copies can be obtained from the Programme Officer.
- 6.2. The Inspector asked all parties to have particular regard to this, and to address explicitly all matters identified that are relevant to them, including the scope for mitigating any harm, in the presentation of evidence. But he stressed that the list is not exhaustive and it does not preclude other matters from being raised if relevant.
- 6.3. The Inspector requested RVR ensures that it responds explicitly to every objection, including those not the subject of representations at the Inquiry. He recognised that RVR's response to an issue raised by more than one objector may be set out only once in its proofs, rather

than being repeated for each objector. This being the case the Inspector requested that, accompanying the proofs of evidence, RVR provides a document that identifies the sections of its proofs which deal with the particular objections raised on an objector by objector basis.

- 6.4. The Inspector recognises that in a case of this kind there is usually limited scope for formalising Statements of Common Ground (SoCG). Nevertheless, it will be in the interests of at least the main parties to reach agreement on as many issues as possible, thereby enabling them to focus on matters of particular importance to them at the Inquiry.
- 6.5. OBJ/1002 drew attention to its plea made at the previous pre-Inquiry meeting that any agreements reached with other parties by RVR, which may affect their case, be disclosed as soon as possible. Furthermore, they reiterated the concern, set out in their letter dated 19 April 2021, that information being shared between RVR and OBJ/782 as part of the ongoing dialogue between those parties is not publicly available.
- 6.6. RVR indicated that it is working on a draft SoCG with OBJ/782. The parties hope to be able to finalise the document by the end of May. At its request, a copy of the current draft SoCG was provided to OBJ/1002 by RVR on 19 May 2021. Furthermore, RVR confirmed that as and when other documents are finalised, they will be made available. OBJ/1002 indicated that WSP (acting on its behalf) has been trying to engage with OBJ/782 and RVR. RVR confirmed that it has recently responded positively to that approach.
- 6.7. OBJ/782 confirmed that it has received an Application for Departure from Design Standards from RVR. OBJ/782 clarified that whilst at present its objection to the proposed Order still stands, in the event that the Departure Application is determined favourably, it is likely that OBJ/782's objection would be withdrawn. OBJ/782 expects to be able to provide an initial response to the application by early June 2021. Whilst that response, when issued, can be made available to others, it is likely that further information will be required from RVR before the application can be determined. Therefore, a likely determination date cannot be given at this stage.
- 6.8. The Inspector encouraged the early disclosure of any documents to be relied upon, to avoid delays to the proceedings.

## **7. Inquiry procedure and site visits**

### ***Inquiry procedure***

- 7.1. At the Inquiry the Inspector will broadly follow the procedure set out in the TW Inquiry Rules. Briefly:

1. Following his opening announcements, he will invite RVR to make an opening statement, outlining its case; followed by others who are entitled to appear<sup>1</sup>, in the following order: supporters of the proposed Order; objectors; and, other interested parties;
2. The parties may then give evidence in the same order (subject to paragraphs 5.4, 11.3 and 11.4). The evidence of each witness will be open to cross-examination by opposing parties entitled to appear and there may be re-examination to clarify answers given in cross-examination<sup>2</sup>. The Inspector may put questions he has at any stage;
3. There will be a session to allow discussion of any proposed modifications to the draft Order;
4. Each party who has given evidence may make closing submissions, summarising their cases in light of the evidence. This is not an opportunity to introduce new evidence. They may do this either at the end of their individual evidence or at the end of the Inquiry;
5. Closing submissions at the end of the Inquiry will be heard in the following order: 'other interested parties'; objectors; supporters; and finally, RVR.

### ***Site visits***

- 7.2. The Inspector indicated, so far as practical from public vantage points, he would familiarise himself with the areas subject to the draft Order prior to the Inquiry on an unaccompanied basis, and may make further such visits after the Inquiry.
- 7.3. The Inspector may also, if necessary, make accompanied visits to relevant places after the Inquiry. If anyone wishes to request that he make an accompanied visit to a particular location, they should send that request to the Programme Officer.
- 7.4. The Inspector emphasised that all visits will be for the sole purpose of observing the sites in question. He will not hear any evidence from the parties to the Inquiry or receive submissions on site. It is important that all that must be said in evidence should be put at the Inquiry itself.
- 7.5. OBJ/1002 and OBJ/782 reiterated their request that the Inspector observe Bank Holiday peak flow conditions on the A21 at Robertsbridge (including the roundabout). The Inspector confirmed that he will endeavour to arrange an unaccompanied visit to the area on the Bank Holiday Monday 31 May 2021. **Action**-those parties to confirm to the

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<sup>1</sup> Rule 14-Statutory objectors and any other person who has served a Statement of Case under Rule 7.

<sup>2</sup> Rule 18-RVR, statutory objectors and any other person who has served a Statement of Case under Rule 7 are entitled to call evidence. RVR and statutory objectors are entitled to cross-examine persons giving evidence. The calling of evidence and cross-examination of persons giving evidence shall otherwise be at the Inspector's discretion.

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Programme Officer by 21 May 2021 the likely peak period for traffic. At the request of others, the Inspector confirmed that he would also visit the level crossing in Robertsbridge and the proposed crossing of the B2244 at Udiam.

## **8. Nature, format and submission of evidence**

### ***Inquiry library***

- 8.1. The Inspector confirmed that in the run up to and during the course of the Inquiry, all of the documents submitted in evidence will be available for inspection on the Inquiry library website administered by the Programme Officer at:

<http://rother-valley.gateleyhamer-pi.com/docs>

- 8.2. Any person may request a hard copy of any statement or document served on or by the applicant, which will be provided where practicable and subject to payment by that person of a reasonable charge. Requests of this nature should be submitted to the Programme Officer in the first instance.
- 8.3. Subject to COVID-19 restrictions, RVR confirmed that, until the start of the Inquiry, it would endeavour to maintain an up to date library of the documents submitted in evidence at Battle Library and its Robertsbridge office:

Battle Library  
7 Market Road  
Battle  
TN33 0XB.

(Currently: Monday closed; Tuesday 1000-1500 hrs; Wednesday 1000-1230 hrs; Thursday 1000-1700 hrs; Friday 1000-1600 hrs; Saturday 1000-1600 hrs; Sunday closed);

And,

RVR  
Robertsbridge Junction Station  
Station Road  
Robertsbridge  
TN32 5DG  
(only Sundays between 1000-1600 hrs)

### ***Statements of case***

- 8.4. With reference to Rule 7 of the TW Inquiry Rules, Statements of Case have been submitted by RVR, 7 objectors and 1 supporter.<sup>3</sup> REP/17 has also provided a Statement of Case. Any party who has served a Statement of Case who wishes to comment on another party's

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<sup>3</sup> SUPP/177, OBJ/68, 91, 99, 133, 178, 782 and 1002.

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Statement of Case shall, not later than 6 weeks before the start of the Inquiry, send further comments in writing to the Secretary of State (TWA Orders Unit at the DfT), the applicant and the party whose Statement of Case is the subject of the comment if that party is not the applicant.

- 8.5. REP/17 confirmed that, in light of further information provided by RVR regarding crossings, it would be necessary to update the position set out in its Statement of Case. To that end, it will provide an addendum to its Statement of Case by 24 May 2021, as requested by the Inspector.

### ***Core Documents***

- 8.6. It is likely that some reference documents will be referred to by many parties. A number of these have already been submitted by RVR, a list of which is included in Appendix A of its Statement of Case (RVR01-59), and the documents concerned are available on the Inquiry website.
- 8.7. It will save paper, time and expense if others wishing to refer to the same documents would simply refer to them (by document number and internal reference) in their evidence without the need to submit further copies. The Inspector would welcome suggestions for any further documents that could usefully be included as core documents. The Programme Officer will maintain the schedule of core documents.
- 8.8. OBJ/1002 requested that correspondence and other recently submitted evidence which is separately listed on the website at present be given reference numbers and included in the core documents where appropriate, for ease of reference. RVR confirmed that that work is underway.

### ***Proofs of evidence***

- 8.9. Where a party proposes to give evidence at the Inquiry by reading from a document (known as a 'proof of evidence'), it should be submitted in advance of the Inquiry. Proofs of evidence should be succinct and to the point. Voluminous documents do not add weight to a case (except in the literal sense) and may detract from it by obscuring the key points. Additional evidence may be given orally, though as far as possible such material would be better included in proofs.
- 8.10. In accordance with the TW Inquiry Rules, if the proofs are longer than 1500 words, summaries of the proofs must be submitted at the same time as the proofs themselves. Summaries should be no more than 1500 words. Only summaries will be read at the Inquiry, but the full proofs will count as evidence and be open to cross-examination.
- 8.11. If, in evidence, reference is made to any other document, which is not included in the list of core documents, a copy of that document (or the



relevant extract plus the cover page), must be submitted as an appendix to the proof of evidence. Hyperlinks should not be used, as the content of websites can change, and it is important that the Inspector and the Secretary of State see the information the witness intends them to see.

- 8.12. The Inspector urges parties to ensure that proofs of evidence and associated documents conform to the following guidelines:
- Document number on the top right corner of cover page and the spine (if practical);
  - Indicate on the cover page the name of the party on whose behalf the evidence is given, the name of the witness, relevant qualifications and the topic(s) covered;
  - Number all pages and paragraphs;
  - Supporting material in appendices, bound separately from the proof and pages numbered;
  - Summary bound separately or as a self-contained section in the proof.

### ***Submission of evidence***

#### *Proofs of evidence*

- 8.13. The Inspector confirmed that all proofs of evidence should be submitted to the Programme Officer and circulated to others (see 'copies' below) **not later than 7 June 2021** (*4 weeks before the Inquiry*).
- 8.14. In the event that objectors intend to promote alternatives to the proposed works, the Inspector would expect their proofs to include an evaluation of the merits and practicability of the alternative proposed and whether it would meet the aims and objectives set for the original scheme, taking into account, so far as practical, its costs, benefits and comparative impacts, such as on adjoining land owners.

#### *Written Representations*

- 8.15. The Inspector requested that if anyone intends to submit additional written representations rather than appearing at the Inquiry, they should make their submissions to the Programme Officer and circulate them to others (see 'copies' below) **by 7 June 2021**.

#### *Rebuttal proofs of evidence*

- 8.16. There is no reference in the TW Inquiry Rules to rebuttal proofs. However, they can sometimes be helpful to deal with complex evidence raised for the first time in the proofs of evidence, particularly if they deal with points that could reduce the need for cross-examination and so reduce the Inquiry time. However, they should not be seen as an opportunity to gain a tactical advantage by deliberately withholding evidence until a late stage (see section 10. below).

- 8.17. The Inspector confirmed that following submission of the main proofs of evidence, he will consider justified requests for the submission of rebuttal proofs. If any are to be submitted, rebuttal proofs should be submitted to the Programme Officer and circulated to others (see 'copies' below) **by the 21 June 2021**.

*Copies*

- 8.18. The Inspector will require a hard copy of every document submitted before the start of the Inquiry, 2 further hard copies that RVR can include in the document sets at Battle Library and its Robertsbridge Junction Station office, and an electronic copy for the Inquiry website. These should be sent to the Programme Officer.
- 8.19. The TW Inquiry Rules specify that copies must also be sent at the same time to the applicant, any statutory objector and anyone who has served a statement of case. The Programme Officer will be able to provide details. The Rules indicate that only 1 copy is to be sent to each of those other parties. The Inspector indicated it is expected that that requirement will be met by the exchange of digital, rather than hard copies. However, he leaves the parties to negotiate directly if they seek additional copies of each other's evidence or if they wish to exchange documents in hard copy.

*Opening, closing and legal submissions*

- 8.20. Closing statements should, if possible, be drafted with a view to incorporating them into the Inspector's report as the case for the party concerned. However, the Inspector reserves the right to edit them and to add material drawn from evidence given orally or in documentary form. Whilst closing statements will be presented orally at the Inquiry, a digital copy should be provided to the Inspector in advance.
- 8.21. The Inspector would also find it helpful if a digital copy of the text of opening submissions would be provided in advance of being read out. A digital copy will also be required of any legal submissions.

**9. Document numbering**

- 9.1. As indicated above, every document should be numbered. The numbering system should be kept as simple as possible, but numbers should be prefixed with an abbreviation to indicate the party on whose behalf it is submitted, followed by a sequential number. For example, a typical RVR document is prefixed with **RVR**. Each supporter/objector/other interested party has been/will be allocated a reference number, which can be confirmed by the Programme Officer, for example OBJ/1. The following numbering system is suggested for documents of witnesses:

OBJ/1/W1/1 - Proof of evidence of witness 1

OBJ/1/W1/2 - Appendices to the proof of evidence

OBJ/1/W1/3 - Summary of the proof of evidence  
OBJ/1/W2/1 - Proof of evidence of witness 2  
OBJ/1/W2/2 - Appendices to the proof of evidence  
OBJ/1/W2/3 - Summary of the proof of evidence etc.

Each party should agree their proposed approach in advance with the Programme Officer, in the interests of consistency and clarity.

- 9.2. Each party should keep an up-to-date list of their documents, providing a copy of the list to the Programme Officer at the beginning of the Inquiry, with an update, if necessary, at the end.

## **10. Costs**

- 10.1. Normally, parties are expected to meet their own expenses in attending the Inquiry. However, the Secretary of State has the discretionary power to make an order as to the costs of parties at an Inquiry, in effect to award costs to one party against another. Costs may be awarded where a party is found to have behaved unreasonably and thereby caused another party to incur unnecessary or wasted expense.
- 10.2. Everyone has a responsibility to meet the deadlines set for the submission of evidence. The procedure is designed to secure maximum disclosure and exchange of information before the Inquiry takes place, so the proceedings can be conducted efficiently and effectively. The Inspector will seek to ensure that no one gains a tactical advantage by deliberately withholding evidence until a late stage. For example, if late evidence is admitted, it may be necessary to adjourn the Inquiry to give others the opportunity to consider and prepare to deal with it. Such circumstances may give rise to an award of costs, associated with wasted or otherwise unnecessary expense, against the party who has submitted the late evidence and caused a delay.

## **11. Inquiry Programme**

- 11.1. The Programme Officer will be contacting all parties who indicate that they intend to appear to gain information needed to draw up a programme for the Inquiry. **In any event, the following information must be submitted to the Programme Officer by 21 June 2021, by all those who intend to appear at the Inquiry to give evidence:**
- The duration of any opening and closing statements, if any are to be made;
  - The duration of evidence in chief for each of their own witnesses; and,
  - The duration of cross-examination of opposing parties' witnesses.

- 11.2. The draft Programme will be available on the website and in the Inquiry Library when the Inquiry is sitting. It will remain in draft and will be subject to change throughout the Inquiry. It is important that people appearing are available when required, and the onus will be on them to keep in touch with the progress of the Inquiry. If they are not there when required, the Inquiry may proceed without them.
- 11.3. OBJ/782's suggestion that highway matters be programmed as a topic, with the associated expert witnesses (potentially 6 no.) appearing one after another, was supported by RVR and OBJ/1002. OBJ/782 also suggested that the topic be dealt with towards the end of the Inquiry, as its position may change as a result of the determination of RVR's Departure Application, which is under consideration. The Inspector confirmed that he will bear these matters in mind, together with any potential constraints identified by interested parties, when drafting the Inquiry programme.
- 11.4. OBJ/1002 indicated in the event that OBJ/782 decides to withdraw its objection, they would still want the opportunity to put questions to it at the Inquiry. OBJ/782 indicated that, if its objection were to be withdrawn, it would take a view at that time on whether to participate/continue to participate in the Inquiry.

## **12. Other matters**

- 12.1. RVR indicated that it is currently its intention to gather its team (including Counsel and witnesses) at a single remote location when the Inquiry is sitting. No objection was raised to this. However, the Inspector emphasised that from the start of cross-examination of a witness to the end of re-examination there should be no communication between the witness and others regarding the case. Adherence to this protocol is taken on trust, in common with the approach taken at in-person events. The Inspector indicated he expects that, in the situation outlined by RVR, witnesses will be provided with a room separate from other members of their team, including Counsel, from which to give their evidence.

*I Jenkins*  
INSPECTOR

24 May 2021

## Appendix 1-Pre-Inquiry meeting attendance and expected appearances at the Inquiry

### Parties who have duly submitted a Statement of Case

<b>Rother Valley Railway Limited</b>	<b>RVR</b> (Promoter/applicant)
Rep at PIM	Richard Turney of Counsel
Rep at Inq	Richard Turney of Counsel
10 Witnesses	
1. Scheme overview/need.	
2. Economics.	
3. Highways.	
4. A21 crossing alternatives.	
5. Environmental assessment- general.	
6. Ecology.	
7. Flood risk.	
8. Railway safety and level crossings.	
9. Railway operations.	
10. Landowner and agricultural impacts.	

<b>Rother District Councillor - I Hollidge</b>	SUPP/177
Rep at PIM	(Not present)
Rep at Inq	TBC

<b>Paul Smith</b>	OBJ/68
Rep at PIM	P Smith (present for part of the meeting)
Rep at Inq	P Smith

<b>Rother District Councillor - S Hart</b>	OBJ/91
Rep at PIM	(Not present)
Rep at Inq	TBC

<b>E Hardwick</b>	OBJ/99
Rep at PIM	(Not present)
Rep at Inq	E Hardwick

<b>Kathryn Bell</b>	OBJ/133
Rep at PIM	(Not present)
Rep at Inq	K Bell

<b>Environment Agency</b>	OBJ/178
Rep at PIM	Sophie Page
Rep at Inq	Intend to rely on making written representations but will make a representative available to answer questions if necessary

<b>Highways England</b>	OBJ/782
Rep at PIM	Mark Westmoreland Smith of Counsel
Rep at Inq	Mark Westmoreland Smith of Counsel
2 witnesses	
1. Highways Policy/administration	
2. Highways-Technical aspects	

Mr & Mrs Hoad, the Executors and Trustees of the Noel de Quincy Estate		OBJ/1002
Rep at PIM	David Warman	
Rep at Inq	Paul Brown QC	
6 witnesses		
1. Highways impact		
2. Level crossing design/operation/safety		
3. Flood risk		
4. Economics		
5. Landowner impacts		
6. Emma Ainslie (OBJ/767)		

<b>The Office of Rail and Road</b>		REP/017
Rep at PIM	Ian Raxton	
Rep at Inq	Intend to rely on making written representations, but Ian Raxton will be available to answer questions if necessary	

***Other parties-identified at the first pre-Inquiry meeting***

<b>David Webster</b>		OBJ/71
Rep at PIM	David Webster	
Rep at Inq	David Webster	

<b>Nigel Leigh (Dr)</b>		OBJ/652
Rep at PIM	(Not present)	
Rep at Inq	Nigel Leigh	

<b>Edward Flint</b>		OBJ/61
Rep at PIM	(Not present)	
Rep at Inq	Edward Flint	

<b>Harry Wills</b>		OBJ/100
Rep at PIM	(Not present)	
Rep at Inq	Harry Wills.	

<b>Emma Watkins</b>		OBJ/25 (200)
Rep at PIM	(Not present)	
Rep at Inq	Emma Watkins	

<b>Nicholas Moor</b>		OBJ/729
Rep at PIM	Nicholas Moor	
Rep at Inq	Nicholas Moor (representing Robertsbridge Cricket Club)	

<b>Charles Wyndham</b>		
Rep at PIM	(Not present)	
Rep at Inq	Charles Wyndham	

**Other parties-identified in response to the recent notifications**

<b>Nick Young</b>		OBJ/189
Rep at PIM	(Not present)	
Rep at Inq	tbc	

<b>Ray Norton</b>		OBJ/1032
Rep at PIM	Ray Norton	
Rep at Inq	Ray Norton	

<b>David Faithfull</b>		OBJ/1037
Rep at PIM	(Not present)	
Rep at Inq	David Faithfull	

<b>Selhurst &amp; Robertsbridge Parish Council</b>		REP/11
Rep at PIM	Nick Dashwood Brown	
Rep at Inq	Nick Dashwood Brown	

<b>Tenterden Town Council</b>		SUPP/113
Rep at PIM	Mike Carter	
Rep at Inq	Mike Carter	

<b>RVR Supporters Association</b>		SUPP/120
Rep at PIM	(Not present)	
Rep at Inq	Steve Griffiths	

<b>John Jenkins</b>		SUPP/125
Rep at PIM	(Not present)	
Rep at Inq	John Jenkins	

<b>Councillor S Prochak</b>		SUPP/186
Rep at PIM	(Not present)	
Rep at Inq	Councillor S Prochak	

<b>Derrick Coffee</b>		SUPP/222
Rep at PIM	Derick Coffee	
Rep at Inq	Derick Coffee	

<b>Patricia Tomkins</b>		
Rep at PIM	Patricia Tomkins	
Rep at Inq	Patricia Tomkins	

<b>Mike Le Lacheur</b>		OBJ/19
Rep at PIM	(not present)	
Rep at Inq	Mike Le Lacheur	