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Date: 22nd May 2023

Dear Sir/ Madam

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Interested Parties and Miscellaneous Prescribed Provisions) Regulations 2010 – Regulation 4

Application by Tritax Symmetry (Hinckley) Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange

Registration and Relevant Representation Form

Please find enclosed a paper copy of the Registration and Relevant Representation Form as requested, together with our Advice note 8.2: How to register to participate in an Examination to help you complete it. **Your individual reference number is HSRFI-002.** Please keep this number safe as it will be required for any further communication you have with us.

Please note that any individual or organisation that submits a correctly completed Registration and Relevant Representation Form will be registered as an Interested Party and have the opportunity to take part in the Examination process. Interested Parties will also receive correspondence from the Planning Inspectorate at key points in the process, to keep them up to date.

If, after reading the enclosed Advice note, you would prefer to register using the online form, this can be found on the National Infrastructure Planning website and can be accessed by following this link:

[Register to have your say about a national infrastructure project - National Infrastructure Planning \(planninginspectorate.gov.uk\)](https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk)

The online form is easy to complete as it will take you through the questions and only ask those which are relevant to you. It will also check the form for you to make sure we have all the information we need to prevent you from submitting an incomplete form. You can still choose between receiving future correspondence by post or email although we encourage the use of electronic submissions where possible in order to make the most efficient use of paper and other resources.



If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange Team

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Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange Registration and Relevant Representation Form **Registration Deadline: 23 June 2023**

About this form

In this form, words in *italics* have specific meanings in the Planning Act 2008 process, which are explained in the attached **Glossary of terms**.

By completing this form you are registering to become an *Interested Party* to take part in the *Examination* of the above application for development consent which has been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate (on behalf of the Secretary of State). You can become an *Interested Party* if you make a *Relevant Representation*, however your *Representation* will only be relevant if you make it on time and you answer all of the mandatory fields on this form. For further information please read Advice Note 8.2: How to register to participate in an Examination:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/>

The Planning Inspectorate will accept registrations made in Welsh. You may either submit your answers in Welsh in the attached form or alternatively, a translated version of the paper form can be requested from our Helpdesk on 0303 444 5000.

Mae'r Arolygiaeth Gynllunio yn derbyn sylwadau yn y Gymraeg. Gellir naill ai cyflwyno eich atebion yn Gymraeg ar y ffurflen isod, neu gellir archebu ffurflen wedi eu gyfieithu oddi wrth ein llinell gymorth.

Data protection

Details published on our website will be restricted to your name and the text of your Representation. Please read our **Privacy Notice** (attached) which explains how we will store and use your data.

How to fill in this form

Each section or question on the form includes corresponding notes to enable you to complete this form.

The Planning Inspectorate implements a process which is governed by the Planning Act 2008 and related legislation. Whilst we make every effort to ensure that our public information is written in language that is easy to understand, it is also necessary to refer to some of the terms that are used in the Planning Act 2008. These are words and phrases that may not be familiar to everyone but they will be used during the *Examination* by legal representatives, Inspectors and others.

To be valid, the fully completed form must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by the deadline stated at the top of this form.

Section 1 - About you and anyone you may be representing

Please tick the option which best describes why you are completing this form and then fill in the corresponding address block.

Tick and fill in **one option only**. Only one person or organisation can become an *Interested Party* per form. Each *Interested Party* must be registered with their own form.

I am completing this form for myself to give my own personal views.

Title: MR First name: _____
Last name: _____
Address Line 1: _____
Address Line 2: _____
Address Line 3: _____
Town/City: _____ Postcode: _____
Email: _____
Tel: _____

I am completing this form for the organisation I work for, either on a paid or voluntary basis, to give its views.

Title: _____ First name: _____
Last name: _____
Job title: _____
Organisation name: _____
Address Line 1: _____
Address Line 2: _____
Address Line 3: _____
Town/City: _____ Postcode: _____
Email: _____
Tel: _____

Before completing your own personal details or those of another person or organisation, please ensure that you read our **Privacy Notice**, attached, so that you are aware of how this data will be stored and used.

Please be aware that you **must** complete one of the address block fields for your Representation to be valid.

Section 1 - About you and anyone you may be representing

I am completing this form on behalf of another person or organisation and I have their permission to represent their views. I give both their contact details and my own below.

Agent or representative contact details (these details will be used for correspondence):

Title: MRS First name: [REDACTED]

Last name: [REDACTED]

Job title: [REDACTED]

Organisation name: [REDACTED]

Address Line 1: [REDACTED]

Address Line 2: [REDACTED]

Address Line 3: [REDACTED]

Town/City: [REDACTED] Postcode: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Tel: [REDACTED]

If you are acting on behalf of a third party, be this another person or organisation, complete the **third** address block **only**, providing your own contact details as well as those of the person or organisation you are representing.

Contact details of the person or organisation you are representing:

Title: _____ First name: [REDACTED]

Last name: [REDACTED]

Job title: -

Organisation name: _____

Address Line 1: _____

Address Line 2: _____

The Planning Inspectorate aims to communicate with people by email wherever possible, as electronic communication is more environmentally friendly and cost effective for the Planning Inspectorate as a government agency, given the volume and frequency of letters it needs to send to *Interested Parties* during an *Examination*. **Therefore if you provide an email address we will use this.**

If you say that you agree to receive communications by email, you can change your mind later provided you give us seven days notice, either in writing or by email.

Section 2 – Your Representation

Here you should summarise the aspects of the *application* you agree and/ or disagree with and say why. Outline what information, local knowledge or evidence you have which supports this. Please aim to limit this section to no more than 500 words (please use extra paper if needed).

THESE ASPECTS ARE MORE FULLY ADDRESSED IN ATTACHED SHEET.

1. PROPOSED M69-A47 LINK AT BURRAGE WILL IMPOSE AN OVERLOAD ON TO THE A47 AT THE ASHBY ROAD TRAFFIC LIGHT CURRENTLY AT BREAKING POINT DURING PEAK PERIODS WITH EXTENSIVE QUEUES.
2. DIFFICULTY IN ACCESSING A47 FROM MY ESTATE DUE TO STANDING TRAFFIC IN ONE DIRECTION AND OBSTRUCTED LINE OF SIGHT DUE TO RECENTLY ERECTED G5 MAST.
3. DAMAGE TO ROAD SURFACE BY HGV VEHICLES RESULTING IN SHOCK DAMAGE TO STRUCTURE OF MY HOUSE STRUCTURE.
4. POLLUTION LEVELS OF ROAD NOISE TRAFFIC FUMES AND DUST LEVELS ALREADY AT HIGH LEVELS WILL INCREASE AS TRAFFIC LOADING OF HGVs INCREASE.
5. INCREASED HAZARDS REGARDING COLLISION OF VEHICLES WILL INCREASE DUE TO HIGHER TRAFFIC LOADS, ROAD WIDENING BRINGING TRAFFIC CLOSER TO MY GARDEN FENCE. ~~AND THE DECISION TO MAINTAIN THE EXISTING SYSTEM OF MERGING TWO LANES OF TRAFFIC RATHER THAN THE MORE EXPENSIVE OPTION OF DEDICATED LANES EACH CONTROLLED BY A TRAFFIC LIGHT.~~
6. ROAD WIDENING PROPOSAL DOES NOT ADDRESS THE EXISTANCE OF NATURAL SPRINGS IN THE AREAS EXCAVATED.

Please check that you have completed all relevant sections, otherwise you may not be able to take part in the later stages of the *Examination*.

Please sign your form and give today's date, below:

Signature _____

Date _____

29/05/2023

The Planning Act 2008 process is primarily a written *Examination* process and if you are registered as an *Interested Party* you will have an opportunity, later in the *Examination* process, to provide a more detailed *Written Representation*.

You cannot reserve a right to make a *Representation* later without providing a summary of the points you intend to submit at this stage.

Your *Representation* should take the form of a summary of what you agree with and/ or disagree within the *application*, and any impacts you think it would have.

Please note that your *Representation* **must not** include material that is:

- vexatious or frivolous;
- about compensation for Compulsory Acquisition of land or of any interest in or right over land; or
- about the merits of policy set out in a National Policy Statement.

The information you include in the *Representation* section of this form will be used by the *Examining Authority* to carry out its *Initial Assessment of Principle Issues* and to decide the best way to examine the *application*.

Lawrence James Wilson



Your Ref: TR050007

Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange – Tritax Symmetry Application for Development Consent

My objections to the project concern the significant increase in traffic flow past my house along the Hinckley perimeter road (A47) which the proposed road work changes are designed to achieve.

These include the following aspects:

1. Changes to the M69 access road at Burbage to provide a link to the A47 Road will provide access for local and motorway traffic, in addition to the existing feed from Leicester, Earl Shilton, and Barwell which has already brought the traffic flow near to saturation point particularly at the start and end of the working day, where traffic queues up to the Ashby Road traffic lights at the B4667/ A47 intersection extend back at least half a mile. The additional traffic load will result in further bottlenecks at the Ashby Road traffic lights and longer queues past our back garden which is located just 0.1 miles down the A47. I feel that rather than seeking ways to increase an already overloaded road, we should be seeking ways to mitigate the situation by alternative routes. I understand that in addition to the housing project already being built below the Triumph factory, similar housing is planned along the set-aside areas of farmland up to the Ashby Road crossing and thereon to Barwell village. This will result in a significant number of new builds and with each household on average owning 2-3 cars, problems will arise with this additional traffic load being disgorged onto the A47.
2. The current situation already makes it difficult at any time to gain access on to the A47 by turning right off Drake Way located less than 0.2 miles from the intersection with the B4667 and impossible at peak periods. The situation has been exacerbated recently by the erection of a substantial G5 telephone mast and its associated electrical cabinets located on the grass verge about 3m from the junction thus preventing line of sight to oncoming traffic. This is a serious hazard to road users and pedestrians alike and should never been given approval. A friend of mine who lives on [REDACTED] has recently suffered a collision at this location whereby an oncoming vehicle who was indicating a left turn, carried straight on impacting my friend's car. which resulted in his car being written off. He was fortunate to escape significant injury.
3. The proposed road link off the M69 interchange to the A47 is designed accommodate the carriage of heavy-duty construction materials to the project site, and hence in addition to increased traffic flow, brings with it the use of more heavy-duty multi-axle road haulage vehicles, often with double-trailer set-ups (now already a common sight), with deleterious effects on road surfaces, such as potholes and road surface erosion. HGV's waiting at the Ashby Road traffic lights, start from a level position and on changing gear, quickly descend a steep incline resulting in axles losing contact with the road then impacting the road on regaining contact. This results in our house being shaken by the force of the impact, our triple-glazed windows rattle, and cracks have appeared on internal plastered surfaces. We are now fearful of this process resulting in subsidence of the house foundations. The house was purchased new in 1986 from a reputable builder, David Wilson Homes Ltd, and we are

in no doubt that the house was constructed well within House Building Regulations as it carried a 30-year guarantee.

4. Further issues arising are pollution e.g., noise levels, traffic fumes and dust generated in the atmosphere which infiltrates the house and settles on every surface, to say nothing of that which we are ingesting into our lungs every day. With the erection of a continuous band of housing estates on the purchased farmland all along the A47 as far as Barwell, and the increased traffic flow arising from the proposed NRFI Project, my fear is that a pollution corridor will be created along the A47. The dust is a constant feature now despite the intense winds often present in our area.
5. The Tritax Symmetry proposal includes outline plans for certain areas of road verges designated for compulsory purchase. Tritax confirmed to me at their local presentation that these represent areas that would be trimmed to give room for road widening. One such area adjoins my back fence. Tritax failed however to elaborate further on the total extent of such excavations, and none of the neighbours living below me have been notified as Interested Parties. I am left not knowing if mine is the only property singled out for such work, or what purpose would be served by carrying this out on a sole property. In any event I would much rather avoid the hazard altogether, as any collisions could result in the demolition of our back fence, with the possibility of injury /fatality to persons present, Removal of sections of the verge at this point would effectively direct the traffic closer to our back fence. This constitutes the deliberate creation of a hazard. If the A47 needs to be widened, then ample space is available, albeit at added cost on the opposite side of the road where the farmland has already been purchased What remains is a choice between cost and safety.
6. Tritax assured me that Incursions into the verge outside my property would not impact the existing footpath nor any of the street lighting, I hope they will be held to this. They were vague however concerning any service conduits that may have been laid underground, which concerns me as the local area is affected by natural springs, one of which existed as a free-flowing stream running down the grass verge outside my back fence when I purchased the property in 1986. Now however there is no sign of it, having been piped into an underground culvert and turfed over Two of my near neighbours have had sinkholes installed in the past due to waterlogging of their gardens. Such springs are a feature of the local area and I have concerns regarding waterlogging if disturbed in any way.