

**THAMES TIDEWAY TUNNEL - APPLICATION REFERENCE WW010001**

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**DAY THREE OF THE COMPULSORY ACQUISITION HEARINGS**

**WITNESSES CALLED BY THAMES WATER UTILITIES LIMITED**

Thames Water Utilities Limited called the following witnesses to give evidence on day three (3 December 2013) of the compulsory acquisition hearings:

- Derek Arnold: Tunnel design engineer
- Stephen Walker: Compulsory purchase order specialist
- Mark Davey: Compulsory purchase compensation specialist
- Chris Boston: Land procurement strategist

Copies of the biographies of Stephen Walker, Mark Davey and Chris Boston are attached to this note.

Thames Water Utilities Limited

**3 December 2013**



## STEPHEN WALKER

### Compulsory Purchase Order specialist

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#### AREA OF SPECIALISM

Stephen has more than 23 years' experience specialising in Compulsory Purchase Order process, land assembly, compensation negotiation and utility powers. He is responsible for providing advice to acquiring authority clients, their development partners, and property owners and occupiers affected by compulsory purchase on a wide range of issues in connection with regeneration, transportation and utility schemes.

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#### PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS

- Member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (General Practice Division)
- Member of the Compulsory Purchase Association

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#### QUALIFICATIONS

- University of Southampton, UK, Valuation and Estate Management, 1989

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#### RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Stephen has an entry in the Law Society Directory of Expert Witnesses and provides this service at both Public Inquiries and the Lands Tribunal. He is Senior Director of a nationally recognised compulsory purchase team with international expertise and extensive market information. He has worked on a number of major national infrastructure projects such as the London 2012 Olympics and High Speed Two, providing strategic advice and handling numerous possession and compensation cases.



## MARK DAVEY

Senior compulsory purchase compensation specialist

### AREA OF SPECIALISM

Mark has 20 years' experience dealing with compulsory purchase and valuation. He leads the Compulsory Purchase Compensation Team within GVA's Valuation Services Division. He specialises in compulsory purchase matters and has advised acquiring authorities and developers as well as claimants. Mark has wide experience in handling objections to compulsory purchase orders, providing compensation estimates to acquiring authorities and developers, compiling and negotiating compensation claims and dealing with Lands Tribunal cases. He has handled many multi-million pound compensation claims.

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### PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS

- Member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (MRICS)
- Member of the Compulsory Purchase Association

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### QUALIFICATIONS

- Liverpool John Moores University, UK, BSc (Hons), Estate Management, 1985

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### RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Mark has been called on to provide written expert evidence on no less than 30 occasions. He has also frequently given evidence at hearings where no agreement was reached prior to the hearing. He has experience in litigation and development viability work, which includes giving expert evidence at planning inquiries and general valuation work. He was the winner of the Compulsory Purchase Category of the Tucker Survey of Property Advisers in the UK in 2000.



## CHRIS BOSTON

Land procurement strategist

### AREA OF SPECIALISM

Mr Boston is a Land Procurement Strategist with over 25 years of experience in the areas of corporate land acquisition, compulsory purchase compensation strategy and strategic infrastructure acquisition. His expertise has been used by Thames Water since 2008 where he was a Capital Projects Manager before moving his focus to consult on the Thames Tideway Tunnel project.

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### PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS

- Chairman - Water UK Estates Group (Capital Projects) 2008 - 2012

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### QUALIFICATIONS

- Post Graduate ISVA Estate Management, Sheffield University, UK, 1985
- Diploma Estate Management, Newcastle University, UK, 1982

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### RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Mr Boston is currently working on the Thames Tideway Tunnel project. He provides advice on land and rights acquisition & compensation, negotiation of land requirement for the project's site selection, non-statutory compensation policies and Ofwat interface. Prior to working with Thames Water Mr Boston was with Bruton Knowles Property Consultants, where he managed multi-client land acquisition and compulsory purchase compensation strategy. He also provided consultation on claims resolution for water, rail, gas and electricity transmission.