

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing session, for an Act to empower the South Eastern Railway Company to alter and divert the line of the South Eastern Railway, as at present authorised to be made, from a point at or near a certain road leading from Edenbridge to Four Elms, and crossed by the said line in the parish of Edenbridge, in the county of Kent, to and to form a junction with the line of the London and Brighton Railway, as the same is at present authorised to be made, at or near a certain mill called Merstham Water Mill, in the parish of Merstham, and county of Surrey; and to enable the said South Eastern Railway Company to abandon so much of the line or lines of the said South Eastern Railway as at present authorised to be made, as lies within the several parishes, townships, and places of Chiddingstone, Hever, Edenbridge, and Westerham, in the county of Kent, and Lympsfield, Oxted, Tandridge, Woldingham, Godstone, Warlingham, Catterham, Coulsdon, Sanderstead, Croydon, Battersea, and Penge, in the county of Surrey, between the said point in the parish of Edenbridge, and the present termination of the said South Eastern Railway in the hamlet of Penge, in the parish of Battersea; and to make and construct a railway, with all proper works and conveniences connected therewith, from the said point in the parish of Edenbridge, passing through the several parishes, townships, and places of Chiddingstone, Hever, Edenbridge, Westerham, and Brasted, or some or one of them, in the county of Kent, and Lympsfield, Oxted, Tandridge, Godstone, Bletchingley, Catterham, Nutfield, and Merstham, in the county of Surrey, to and to form a junction with the line of the said London and Brighton Railway, at or near the before-mentioned mill, called Merstham Water Mill, in the parish of Merstham aforesaid.

And it is also intended by the said Act or Acts to alter, amend, and enlarge some of the powers and provisions of the several Acts relating to the South Eastern Railway, and more especially to extend the period limited by the said Acts for the purchase and taking of lands, within the several parishes, townships, hamlets, extra-parochial or other places, of Battersea, Penge, Croydon, Sanderstead, Coulsdon, Catterham, Warlingham, Tandridge, Woldingham, Godstone, Oxted, and Lympsfield, or some of them, in the county of Surrey; and Westerham, Edenbridge, Chiddingstone, Hever, Brasted, Penshurst, Leigh, Tunbridge, Tudeley, West Tudeley, Capel Middle Tudeley, East Tudeley, Yalding, Brenchley, Mereworth, Marden, Staplehurst, Headcorn, Smarden, Pluckley, Bethersden, Little Chart otherwise Chart Parva, Hothfield, Great Chart otherwise Chart Magna, Ashford, Willesborough, Sevington, Merstham, Brabourne, Smeeth, Aldington, Seilinge, Standford, Postling, Saltwood, Newington, Cheriton, Folkestone-township, Folkestone, Chapel Ferne, and Hougham, or some of them, in the county of Kent.

And it is further intended by the Act or Acts so to be applied for, to enable the South Eastern Railway Company and the London and Brighton Railway Company to enter into and carry into effect mutual contracts or agreements for the joint execution, ownership, and use of so much of the line of

the said London and Brighton Railway, as authorised to be made under the Act relating thereto, as lies within the several parishes, townships, and places of Merstham, Chipstead, Coulsdon, Beddington, Sanderstead, and Croydon, in the said county of Surrey, between the before-mentioned intended point of junction therewith, in the parish of Merstham, and the termination of the said line by a junction with the London and Croydon Railway, in the said parish of Croydon; or otherwise to empower the South Eastern Railway Company to purchase and take of, and from the said London and Brighton Railway Company, all the powers, rights, interests, and property which the said last-mentioned company may have, or lay claim to, in respect of the said portion of line, and to vest the said powers, rights, interest, and property in the South Eastern Railway Company, or to extend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the formation of the South Eastern Railway, to the formation of the said portion of the London and Brighton Railway, to the end that the same may thenceforth be, and become a part of, the South Eastern Railway, and not of the London and Brighton Railway, in accordance with the provisions of the Act authorising the construction of the said last-mentioned railway. And it is further intended to empower the South Eastern Railway Company, by the said Act so to be applied for, to alter the rates and tolls now authorised to be taken by the South Eastern Railway Company, and to levy and raise rates and tolls, as well on the line so to be purchased of and from the London and Brighton Railway Company, as on the line from Merstham Water Mill aforesaid, to join the said South Eastern Railway at the point aforesaid, in the said parish of Edenbridge; and also, if necessary, to alter the rates, tolls, and sums at present authorised to be raised on that portion of the London and Brighton Railway, lying between the intended junction therewith, at or near Merstham Mill aforesaid, and the termination thereof at the junction with the London and Croydon Railway as aforesaid, so as to assimilate the same to the rates, tolls, and sums at present authorised to be raised on the South Eastern Railway.

And notice is hereby further given, that plans and sections, describing the line and levels of the proposed railway, hereinbefore referred to, from the aforesaid point in the parish of Edenbridge, to join the said London and Brighton Railway at or near Merstham Mill aforesaid, and the lands to be taken for the purposes thereof, together with books of reference, containing the names of the owners, or reputed owners, lessees, or reputed lessees, and occupiers of such lands, will be deposited, for public inspection, on or before the 1st day of March, in this present year, with the clerk of the peace for the county of Surrey, at his office in Lambeth; and with the clerk of the peace for the county of Kent, at his office in Maidstone; and also, on or before the 1st day of April next, in the Private Bill office of the House of Commons; and so much of the said plans, sections, and books of reference as relates to each of the said parishes of Chiddingstone, Hever, Edenbridge, Brasted, Westerham, Lympsfield, Oxted, Tandridge, Godstone, Bletchingley, Catterham, Nutfield, and Merstham,