

Meon Valley Railway near Brock Bridge, both in the county of Southampton.

NOTICE is hereby given that application is intended to be made to the Light Railway Commissioners on or before the 31st day of May, 1899, by the Finance Mines and Industries Association Limited, the Promoters of a Company to be called the Bishops Waltham Light Railway (hereinafter called "the Company") for an Order (hereinafter called "the Order"), pursuant to the Light Railways Act, 1896, for the purposes, or some of the purposes, following (that is to say):—

1. To authorize the Company to make, maintain and work the railway hereinafter described, or some part or parts thereof in the county of Southampton together with all proper and sufficient bridges, rails, sidings, junctions, turntables, stations, banks, sluices, drains, culverts, dams, groynes, walls, appropriate roads, buildings, yards and other machinery, apparatus, works, and conveniences connected therewith respectively (that is to say):—

(a.) A railway commencing in the parish of Bishops Waltham by a junction with a siding of the Bishops Waltham branch of the London and South Western Railway Company, at a point immediately opposite the north end of the passenger platform of Bishops Waltham Station, proceeding thence in a north-easterly direction to a point in the main road from Bishops Waltham to Winchester seventy-five yards or thereabouts measured along that road from its junction with the Bishops Waltham and Alton-road proceeding thence in the same direction to a point in the Bishops Waltham and Alton-road, two hundred yards or thereabouts measured along that road in a north-easterly direction from the point of junction previously described. Thence in an easterly direction following the course of Dundridge-lane, passing about 200 yards to the north-west of Dundridge Farm. Proceeding thence in a north-easterly direction passing about 150 yards to the south of Shepherd's Farm, and crossing the road leading from Droxford to Winchester at its intersection with Sheeppond-lane. Thence in an easterly direction to a point 30 yards, or thereabouts, to the south of Sheeppond, thence following generally the course of Sheeppond-lane to a point in the Fareham and Alton main road 70 yards, or thereabouts, measured along that road in a south-westerly direction from the ninth milestone from Fareham, and terminating in the parish of Soberton by a junction with the authorized Meon Valley Railway of the London and South-Western Railway at a point 10 yards, or thereabouts, measured along that railway in a south-westerly direction from the centre of the road leading from Brock Bridge to Hampledon. The proposed railway above described, will be made to pass from, through, in, or into the parishes or places of Bishops Waltham, Swanmore, Droxford, Soberton, Meonstoke, and Corhampton, all in the county of Southampton, or some of them.

2. To authorize the Company to purchase and take, by compulsion or otherwise, certain lands situate in the before-mentioned parishes or places, or some of them, which lands mainly consist of arable and pasture fields and woods, and partly of gardens with the buildings thereon, or used in connection therewith respectively containing altogether 45 acres or thereabouts for the purpose of, or in connection with, the construction, maintenance and working of the proposed railway, and the works and conveniences necessary for such purposes.

3. The proposed gauge to be adopted for the said railway will be four feet eight and a-half inches, and the motive power to be employed will be steam power, electricity, or other mechanical power.

4. To authorize the Company to deviate laterally from the line of the proposed railway and works to the extent shown on the plan, to be deposited as hereinafter mentioned, and to such further extent as may be agreed upon between the Company and any owner or owners of any lands or property affected, or as may be provided by the Order, and also to deviate vertically from the levels show on the section to be deposited as hereinafter mentioned, or as may be agreed upon between the Company and any owner or owners of any lands or property affected, or as may be provided by the Order.

And notice is hereby also given, that on and after the 31st day of May, 1899, a plan of the proposed works and of the lands to be taken for the purposes of the proposed railway, and book of reference of the said plan, and also a section of the proposed works may be seen at all reasonable hours at the offices of Messrs. Gunner and Renny, Solicitors, Bishops Waltham, in the county of Southampton, and on or after the said 31st day of May, 1899, copies of the draft Order may be obtained at the said offices on payment of 1s. per copy. A copy of the draft Order and of the above-mentioned plan, book of reference, and section, together with an estimate of the expense of the proposed railway, and an Ordnance map, with the line of the proposed railway indicated thereon, so as to show the general course and direction, will on or before the 31st day of May, 1899, be deposited for inspection (during office hours) with the Clerk of the County Council of the county of Southampton, and on or before the said 31st day of May a copy of so much of the said plan, book of reference, and section respectively as relates to the area of each borough, district, urban, rural, or parish council, in or through whose borough, district, or parish the proposed railway, or any part thereof, is intended to be made, together with a copy of the said draft order, estimate of expense, and Ordnance map will be deposited for public inspection (during office hours) with the Clerk of every such borough, district, urban, rural, or parish council. Every Company, Corporation, or person desirous of making an objection respecting the application for the Order, should do so in writing to the Light Railway Commissioners; such objection should be on foolscap paper, and written on one side only, and should be addressed to the Secretary, Light Railway Commission, 23, Great George-street, London, S.W., and it is requested that a copy of every such objection may also be sent to the offices of the undermentioned.

Dated this 20th day of May, 1899.

BAKER, LEES, and Co., 51, Parliament-street, Westminster, London, S.W.,
Parliamentary Agents.

Light Railway Commission, May, 1899.

Nelson and District Light Railway.

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Nelson, acting by the Town Council in that behalf, to the Light Railway Commissioners, for an Order authorising the construction and working by them of a certain light railway, commencing from a point at the junction of Manchester-road with Leeds-road, Scotland-road and Railway-street, in the borough of Nelson,