

**DEPARTMENT OF THE
ENVIRONMENT**

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

ACQUISITION OF LAND ACT 1981

Notice is hereby given that Public Local Inquiries in connection with the Orders mentioned below will be held by Rear Admiral Sir Leslie Townsend, K.C.V.O., C.B.E. (a person appointed for the purpose by the Secretaries of State for the Environment and Transport on the nomination of the Lord Chancellor), beginning at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 7th May 1986, at Westham Village Hall, Westham, East Sussex, to hear representations from statutory objectors (as defined in the Highways (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 1976) and from any other persons having an interest in the land the subject of the compulsory purchase order, and also, at his discretion, to hear representations from any other persons who may desire to appear and be heard.

The Orders which have been prepared in draft by the Secretary of State for Transport under the above mentioned Act are:

- (1) The Folkestone-Honiton Trunk Road (A27 Pevensey By-pass and Slip Road) Order 198 , notice of which was published on 16th July 1985. This is an Order under sections 10 and 12 of the Highways Act 1980 which will, if made, provide that roads which he proposes to construct along the following routes shall become trunk roads as from the date when the Order comes into operation:

(i) a route (the main route) about 3.35 miles (5.4 kilometres) in length at Pevensey in the County of East Sussex between the Dittons and Pevensey, and

(ii) a route for a slip road to connect the main route with existing routes at the Dittons,

- (2) The Folkestone-Honiton Trunk Road (Dittons-Pevensey Section De-Trunking) Order 198 , notice of which was published on 16th July 1985. This is an Order under sections 10 and 12 of the Highways Act 1980 which will, if made, provide that a length of the Folkestone-Honiton Trunk Road (A27) to be superseded by the new trunk road on the main route mentioned above shall cease to be a trunk road, and shall be classified as a classified road, as from the date on which the Secretary of State notifies the County Council of East Sussex (who will become the highway authority for that length) that the said trunk road is open for through traffic,

- (3) The Folkestone-Honiton Trunk Road (A27 Dittons-Pevensey Side Roads) Order 198 , notice of which was published on 16th July 1985. This is an Order under sections 14 and 125 of the Highways Act 1980 which will, if made, authorise him:

(a) to improve, raise, lower or otherwise alter highways,

(b) stop-up highways,

(c) to construct new highways,

(d) to stop-up private means of access to premises ; and

(e) to provide new means of access to premises, on or in the vicinity of the route of the new trunk road on the main route mentioned above, and providing for the transfer of each of the said new highways to the County Council of East Sussex as from the date on which he notifies that authority that the new highways have been completed and are open for through traffic,

- (4) The Folkestone-Honiton Trunk Road (A27 Dittons-Pevensey Side Roads No. 2) Order 198 notice of which was published on 22nd November 1985. This is an order under sections 14 and 125 of the Highways Act 1980 which will, if made, authorise him:

(a) to stop-up a highway,

(b) to stop-up private means of access to premises, and

(c) to provide new means of access to premises, all between Dittons and Pevensey.

- (5) The Folkestone-Honiton Trunk Road (A27 Pevensey By-pass) Compulsory Purchase Order (No. SE) 198 , notice of which was published on 14th and 21st February 1986. This is an Order under sections 239, 240 and 246 of the Highways Act 1980 and under section 2 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 which, if made, will authorise the Secretary of State to purchase compulsorily:

- (a) the land described in Schedule 1 thereto for the purpose of:

(i) the construction of a new trunk road from Dittons to east of Pevensey in the District of Wealdon in the County of East Sussex in pursuance of the Folkestone-Honiton Trunk Road (A27 Pevensey By-pass and Slip Road) Order 198 ,

(ii) the construction and improvement of highways and the provision of new means of access to premises at Westham and Pevensey in the said District and County in pursuance of the Folkestone-Honiton Trunk Road (A27 Dittons-Pevensey Side Roads) Order 198 and the Folkestone-Honiton Trunk Road (A27 Dittons-Pevensey Side Roads No. 2) Order 198 ,

(iii) the diversion of watercourses and the execution of other works on watercourses in connection with the construction of the new trunk road, and

(iv) use by the Secretary of State in connection with such construction of highways and the execution of other works mentioned above ; and

(b) the land described in Schedule 2 thereto for the purpose of mitigating any adverse effect which the existence or use of the highways proposed to be constructed by him as mentioned above will have on the surroundings thereof.

Copies of the above mentioned draft Trunk Road Order, Side Roads Orders and Compulsory Purchase Order, and of plans referred to therein, have been deposited and may be seen at all reasonable hours, free of charge, at the Department of Transport, Room P3/067, 2 Marsham Street, London S.W.1, and at the Department's South East Regional Office, Federated House, London Road, Dorking, Surrey ; at the offices of Wealden District Council, Starfield, Beacon Road, Crowborough, East Sussex ; and Eastbourne Borough Council, Town Hall, Grove Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex ; and at Pevensey Post Office, High Street, Pevensey, East Sussex, and Westham Post Office, High Street, Westham, East Sussex.

Proceedings on the above mentioned draft Orders are being taken concurrently by virtue of paragraph 20 of Schedule 1 to the Highways Act 1980.

Objections are reminded that the substance of their objections or representations may be communicated to other people who may be affected by them ; that they will be passed to the Inspector holding the inquiries ; and that in that event the Inspector may be required to disclose the objections or representations at the inquiries and, unless there are special reasons to the contrary, the identity of the authors.

The Secretaries of State for the Environment and Transport hereby direct that any person who intends at the inquiries to submit that any highway or proposed highway to which the draft Order mentioned at (1) relates should follow an alternative route, or that instead of improving, diverting or altering a highway to which the draft Orders at (3) and (4) relate a new highway should be constructed on a particular route, shall send to the Secretary of State for Transport at his South East Regional Office, Federated House, London Road, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1SZ, not later than 23rd April 1986, sufficient information about the alternative route or the route to be the new highway, as the case may be, to enable it to be identified. Failure to comply with this direction will entitle the Secretaries of State and the person holding the inquiries to disregard so much of any objection as consists of such a submission.

E. W. A. Smith, a Principal in the South East Regional Office, Department of Transport. (Ref. LG4/28/0600.)

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