

(iii) the construction and improvement of highways and the provision of new means of access to premises in connection with the new trunk road in pursuance of the London-Penzance Trunk Road (Andover-Thruxton Section Side Roads) Order 197, the London-Penzance Trunk Road (Thruxton-Amesbury Section Side Roads) Order 197, the London-Penzance Trunk Road (Andover-Thruxton Section Side Roads) (No. 2) Order 197, and the London-Penzance Trunk Road Thruxton-Amesbury Section Side Roads) (No. 2) Order 197;

(iv) the improvement of the London-Penzance Trunk Road in Bulford and Cholderton in the District of Salisbury in the County of Wiltshire and in Thruxton, Ampport, Penton Grafton and Penton Mewsey in the District of Test Valley in the County of Hampshire;

(v) the diversion of watercourses and the execution of other works on watercourses in connection with the construction of the new trunk road, the construction and improvement of other highways and the execution of other works mentioned above; and

(vi) use by the Secretary of State in connection with such construction and improvement of highways and such execution of other works as aforesaid;

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

Copies of the above-mentioned Orders and of the plans referred to therein may be seen at all reasonable hours free of charge, at the Department of the Environment, Room P2/038, 2 Marsham Street, London, SW1P 3EB and at the offices of the Regional Controller (Roads and Transportation), South Eastern Region, "Edgeborough", Epsom Road, Guildford, Surrey; the South Eastern Road Construction Unit, Federated House, London Road, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 1SZ, and Northgate House, Staple Gardens, Winchester, Hants; and of the Test Valley District Council, Weyhill Road, Andover, Hants; the Salisbury District Council, Redworth House, Amesbury, Wilts; and at the Post Offices at Weyhill, Thruxton, Cholderton, and Shipton Bellinger.

Proceedings on the above-mentioned draft Orders are being taken concurrently by virtue of section 53 of the Highways Act 1971.

The Secretary of State hereby directs that any person who intends to submit that any highway or proposed highway to which the draft Orders or any one of them relates should follow an alternative route, or that, instead of improving, diverting or altering a highway to which the draft Side Roads Order referred to at paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 above relate, a new highway should be constructed on a particular route, shall send to him at his South Eastern Road Construction Unit, Federated House, London Road, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 1SZ as soon as possible and not later than 16th March 1976 sufficient information about the alternative route, or the route of the new highway, as the case may be, to enable it to be identified. Failure to comply with this direction will entitle the Secretary of State and the person holding the Inquiry to disregard so much of any objection as consists of such a submission.

Where any firm alternative proposals are submitted in accordance with the foregoing paragraph, details will be deposited at the Department of the Environment, South Eastern Road Construction Unit, Federated House, London Road, Dorking, Surrey and Hampshire County Sub-Unit, Northgate House, Staple Gardens, Winchester, Hampshire. Persons wishing to make representations about any alternative proposals may do so in writing to the Secretary of State at his address at the South Eastern Road Construction Unit, Dorking.

Any person wishing to appear at the Inquiry in connection with the above-mentioned published proposals or alternative proposals submitted thereto should attend or be represented at the opening of the Inquiry.

11th February 1976.

V. R. F. Dewar, Controller of Administration, South Eastern Road Construction Unit, Department of the Environment.

HIGHWAYS ACTS 1959 TO 1971

The M.25 South Orbital Motorway (Thorpe—Chertsey Section Side Roads Variation) Order 197

The Secretary of State for the Environment hereby gives notice that he proposes in relation to the M.25 Motorway

between Thorpe and Chertsey in the County of Surrey, to make an Order under sections 13 and 286 of the Highways Act 1959 which will:

(a) vary the provisions of the M.25 South Orbital Motorway (Thorpe—Chertsey Section Side Roads) Order 1974 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Order), shown on Schedule 4 and Site Plan No. 4 to the principal Order, which was made on 23rd December 1974 (the provisions relate to the alignment of the Chertsey Western Link Road which is to be constructed between the M.25 Motorway and the A.320 Guildford Road and the realigned length of the Guildford Road (A.320));

(b) authorise him:

(i) to improve, raise, lower or otherwise alter a highway;

(ii) to stop up a highway; and

(iii) to construct new highways; all in the vicinity of the route of the above-mentioned part of the said Motorway; and

(c) provide for the transfer of the said new highways to the Surrey County Council as from the date on which he notifies that authority that the new highways have been completed and are open for through traffic.

Copies of the draft Order and of the relevant plan may be inspected free of charge at all reasonable hours from 13th February 1976 to 26th March 1976 at the Department of the Environment, Room P2/038, 2 Marsham Street, London S.W.1; the South Eastern Road Construction Unit, Federated House, London Road, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 1SZ; at the Unit's Surrey County Sub-Unit, High Street, Guildford, Surrey; and at the offices of the Surrey County Council, County Hall, Kingston upon Thames; the Runnymede D.C., Council Offices, Station Road, Addlestone, Surrey; the New Haw Branch Library, The Broadway, New Haw, Byfleet, Surrey, and the Chertsey Branch Library, Guildford Street, Chertsey, Surrey, where they are open to inspection free of charge at all reasonable hours.

Any person may not later than 26th March 1976 object to the making of the Order by notice to the Secretary of State at his address at the South Eastern Road Construction Unit, quoting the title of the Order and stating the grounds of objection.

9th February 1976.

V. R. F. Dewar, Controller of Administration, South Eastern Road Construction Unit, Department of the Environment.

NEW TOWNS ACT 1965

NOTICE OF PUBLIC LOCAL INQUIRY TO BE HELD

The Draft Stevenage New Town (Designation) Amendment Order 197

The Secretary of State for the Environment, in pursuance of his powers under sections 1 and 53 of the New Towns Act, 1965, has prepared the draft of an Order which, if made by him, would in part vary and in part revoke the Stevenage New Town (Designation) Amendment Order 1946, as varied by the Stevenage New Town (Designation) Amendment Order 1965, by altering the designated area so as to include within it an area of approximately 865 acres (350 hectares) of land lying within the districts of North Hertfordshire and East Hertfordshire and so as to exclude from the area presently designated approximately 378 acres (153 hectares) lying within the Borough of Stevenage;

Objections to the draft Order have been made;

Notice is hereby given that a public local inquiry with respect to those objections will be held by Mr. M. W. Robinson, F.R.I.C.S., F.R.T.P.I., at The Grampian Hotel, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, commencing at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 30th March 1976, and before taking any further action in respect of his draft proposals, the Secretary of State will consider the report of the inspector which will be submitted to him, following the inquiry.

J. Marlow, Assistant Secretary, Department of the Environment.