

mentioned below when 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 Orders, and also, at his discretion, from any other persons who may desire to appear, will be heard.

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

(1) The M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Variation Scheme (No. 3) 197, [notice of which was published on 26th May 1978, pursuant to the above Acts]. The said Scheme would provide connecting roads between the M54 Telford Motorway and the A464 Trunk Road at Castle Farm, and vary the lines of the connecting roads at the M54/A41 and M54/A460 Interchanges.

(2) The M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Scheme (No. 2) 197, as proposed to be modified, [notice of the Scheme was published on 2nd November 1973, pursuant to the above Acts and details of the proposed modifications were made publicly available on 16th June 1978]. The said Scheme would provide connecting roads between the M54 Telford Motorway and the A449 trunk road at Coven Heath and a bridge over the navigable waters of the Staffordshire and Worcestershire canal.

(3) The M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section Side Roads) Order 197, as proposed to be modified [notice of the Side Roads Order was published on 18th July 1975, pursuant to the above Acts and details of the proposed modifications were made publicly available on 16th June 1978], and the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section Side Roads) Order (No. 2) 197, [notice of the Side Roads Order was published on 26th May 1978, pursuant to the above Acts]. These Orders are Orders under section 13 of the Highways Act 1959, which, if made, will authorise the Secretary of State for Transport:

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

(b) to 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 motorway and Connecting Roads [as defined in the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Scheme 1973, the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Scheme (No. 2) 197, the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Variation Scheme 197, the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Variation Scheme (No. 2) 197, and the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Variation Scheme (No. 3) 197] in the Counties of Salop and Staffordshire.

(4) The M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) Compulsory Purchase Order (No. CM ) 197, as proposed to be modified [notice of the Compulsory Purchase Order was published on 18th July 1975 and 25th July 1975, and details of the proposed modifications were made publicly available on 16th June 1978] and the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) Supplementary No. 1 Compulsory Purchase Order (No. CM ) 197, [notice of which was published on 16th June 1978, and on 23rd June 1978]. These Orders are Orders under sections 214 and 215 of the Highways Act 1959, as extended and supplemented by sections 44, 47, 51 and 52 of the Highways Act 1971, under section 22 of the Land Compensation Act 1973, and under section 1 of the Acquisition of Land (Authorisation Procedure) Act 1946, which, if made, will authorise the Secretary of State for Transport to purchase compulsorily the land, and rights over land, described therein for the purpose of the construction of the M54 Telford Motorway and Connecting Roads between Priorslee in the County of Salop and Essington in the County of Staffordshire in pursuance of the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Scheme 1973, the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Variation Scheme 197, the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Con-

necting Roads Variation Scheme (No. 2) 197, the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Variation Scheme (No. 3) 197, the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Scheme (No. 2) 197 and for the purpose of the construction and improvement of highways and the provision of new means of access to premises in the said Counties in pursuance of the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section Side Roads) Order 197, as proposed to be modified, and the M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section Side Roads) Order (No. 2) 197, and for the improvement of the A464, A41 and A449 Trunk Roads, the diversion of watercourses and the execution of other works on watercourses, use by the Secretary of State in connection with such construction and improvement of highways and for the purpose of mitigating any adverse effect which the existence or use of certain of the highways proposed to be constructed or improved by the Secretary of State will have on the surroundings, in the said Counties.

Insofar as the inquiries are concerned with the Side Roads Order and the Compulsory Purchase Order, which are proposed to be modified, they will constitute re-opening of the inquiries held in 1976. The inquiries will be concerned with the modifications and new subsidiary Order proposals consequent on the decision by the Secretaries of State that the M54 Telford Motorway to be constructed along the authorised route should be built to dual two-lane standard as announced in the interim decision letter from the Departments of Environment and Transport dated 23rd February 1978.

Copies of the above-mentioned Motorway Scheme, the draft No. 2 Scheme and draft Variation Schemes and Orders, the relevant plans, and of the interim decision letter from the Departments of Environment and Transport dated 23rd February 1978, have been deposited, and may be seen at all reasonable hours, free of charge, at the Department of Transport, 2 Marsham Street, London S.W.1, and at the offices of the Regional Controller (Roads and Transportation), West Midlands Division, Five Ways House, Islington Row, Middleway, Birmingham, and of the Midland Road Construction Unit, 52-54 Holly Walk, Learnington Spa, and of the Salop County Council, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury; the Staffordshire County Council, County Buildings, Stafford; the West Midlands Metropolitan County Council, 1 Lancaster Circus, Queensway, Birmingham B4 7GJ; the Wrekin District Council, Council Offices, Dawley, Telford TF4 3PP; the South Staffordshire District Council, Council Offices, Codsall, Wolverhampton WV8 1PX; Shifnal Branch Library, Broadway, Shifnal, Shropshire; The Telford Development Corporation, Priorslee Hall, Priorslee, Telford; and at the Wolverhampton Metropolitan Borough Council, Town Hall, Wolverhampton WV1 1RG.

Proceedings on the above-mentioned draft Schemes and Orders are being taken concurrently by virtue of sections 14 (7) and 53 of the Highways Act 1971.

Objectors 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.

Any person who proposes to make a submission about an alternative route for a highway or proposed highway, or about the construction of a new highway on a particular route instead of improving, diverting or altering a highway is reminded of the power of the Secretaries of State for Transport and the Environment to disregard objections which in their opinion amount in substance to objections to the said M54 Telford Motorway (Priorslee to Essington Section) and Connecting Roads Scheme 1973.

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16th March 1979.

*The Trunk Road (Harker Road Ends Cumbria)  
(Prohibition of Driving) Order 197*

The Secretary of State for Transport proposes to make an Order under sections 1 (1), (2) and (3) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967, as amended by Part IX of the Transport Act 1968 on the Carlisle-Glasgow Trunk