

Topics for this evening :

1. **Outcome** of recent Select Committee hearings
2. What to do about your **submitted petitions**
3. New MPs on the Select Committee to visit the area on Monday **10th August**
4. Where we go from here to ask for a '**longer**' **tunnel extension**



Thanks

- To all those who joined in with the Select Committee visit on June 22nd here (and June 11th at Wendover)
- Your presence made a big difference



Our Thanks to :

- To **CRAG** and **Chiltern District Council** teams for presenting petitions for the long tunnel options
and
- To the **REPA** Petitioning Team who presented the fall-back case for the short tunnel extension
 - Hilary, Sue and Bev
 - Malcolm, Simon and of course our experts
 - Rodney, Chris, Sean, Bruce and Cheryl
- You took them on!

**High Speed Rail Bill Select Committee :
Statement made on 21 July by the Chairman,
Mr Robert Syms MP**

- 1) On the long tunnel options, we have kept in mind the potential non-quantifiable effects of the project on the Chilterns area of outstanding natural beauty. On the evidence heard we are **strongly** of the view that the case for a long tunnel is not made out. Without prejudging the arguments we may hear from future petitioners we believe it is **unlikely** that an overwhelming case will be made out for the long tunnel options as we move forward into further hearings.

My highlights in red

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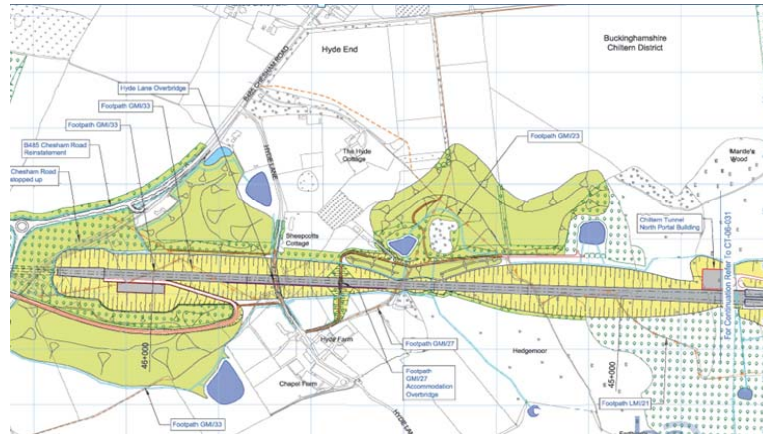
- 2) We believe that the case has been made for an extension of the bored tunnel to the northern end of the South Heath green tunnel. This would not cause an overall delay to the scheme. We want **reassurance on how far that option will result in a deepened cutting** laterally to the west of the portal, and **we want HS2 to evaluate the effects of a deepened cutting** on the local area. Provided that review is satisfactory, we will **direct the promoter to work up that proposal as an additional provision.**

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What does that give us?

- **Saves** 2 ancient woodlands, footpaths.
- **Saves** views and the tranquillity
- **Saves** construction works eg road closures; Kings Lane re-alignment and lit roundabout; local traffic routes eg Hyde Heath Road ; main compound on B485; and some new roads
- **Saves** properties on Hyde Lane; Chesham Road; Annie Baileys
- **Saves** loss of land and creating spoil heaps
- **Saves** Hyde Heath & Hyde End communities



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What does that give us continued

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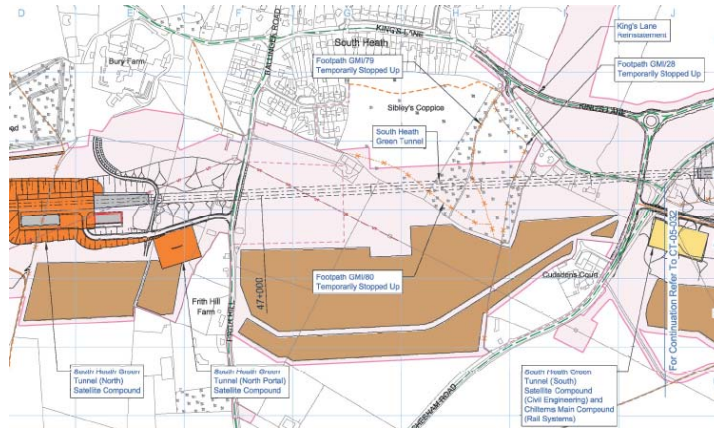
- A vent shaft at Annie Baileys with a construction compound
- HGV lorries to remove the spoil down the B485 towards the A413 (*peak traffic flow given at 225 HGV's a day – which equates to 12 week*)



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What does that give us continued

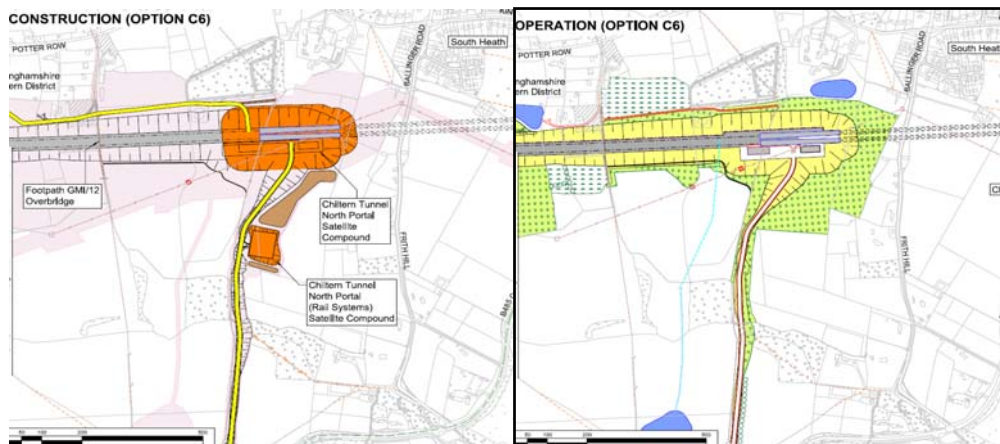
No South Heath Green Tunnel, so **saving** large temporary spoil heaps, **saving** an ancient woodland, **saving** all demolitions along Kings Lane and Frith Hill SHL, **no** construction traffic route on South Heath roads (Kings Lane etc), **no closure** of Frith Hill SHL or footpaths or new lit roundabout..... BUT:




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What does that give us continued

- A **200m portal** where we did not want one (but 320 not 360kph train speed)
- A **new road** onto the Great Missenden link roundabout (and the traffic issues)
- A **construction road** along the route in between Potter Row and the Trace



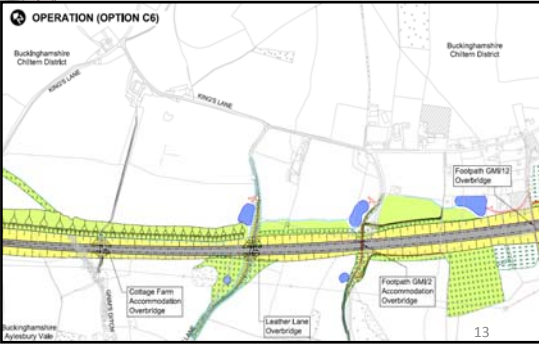
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WRONG!

- A **deeper cutting** (for how far?) parallel to Potter Row where we did not want one, up to Leather Lane
- Still one footpath overbridge and one accommodation overbridge

- **Now no permanent dump** at Hunts Green - maps are out of date



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2. What happens next – an AP-4

- The changes must be in an 'Additional Provision' to the Hybrid Bill (AP-4) with an Environmental Statement and be deposited in Parliament prior to being published for Consultation and any Petitions.
 - *Same format (prayer) as the original petition*
 - *No £20 if already petitioned*
 - *Added to your original petition and usually heard together*
- We will provide points for new petitions when due

Two Issues: **1. Timing and process of settling AP-4**
 2. What to do about our September & October hearings?

The AP-4 decision process



- We do not know :-
 - **Exact detail** – to be clarified in SC e-mail shortly
 - **Exact timing** – expect not to petition on AP-4 before November
 - **Exact process for determining AP-4** ie **how** the Select Committee will “review” what HS2 Ltd come back with, before sanctioning AP4 to be drawn up – but
 - REPA will be allowed to have its say
 - HS2 Ltd will report back by 7 September to Select Committee

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What to do about your submitted petitions?

- You have been given a **September date**, (or a few in **October**). List available
- We have to **21st August** to reply to **David Walker**, to say:
 - **if wish to present your petition yourself**
 - **or wish to join a listed group, or create one with neighbours** (don't worry about roll B agent status!)
 - **if unavailable**
- **Do Not do Nothing** or else your petition will be lost.
 - **Tell David Walker your intention**

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What to do about your submitted petitions?

- Seek help from your **local group**. Contacts as below. Some October dates should be brought forward

Date	Main group	Sub group	contact
9, 10, 14 Sept.	Dunsmore, The Lee, Ballinger	Dunsmore; The Lee Parish Council; Ballinger village; Lee Common school	CRAG (Colin Sully)
15, 16, 17 Sept.	South Heath	Wood Lane RA; Sibleys RG; Ballinger Rd RA; Marriots Av; Lappetts L NWS; Kings Lane/SH AG, Potter Row NWS;	REPA: Greg Porter; Malcolm Griffiths; Carol Rainsford; Mike Johnstone; Simon Hook; Bev Manton;
21, 22 (part) Sept.	Great Missenden & Little Missenden	Parish Councils; GM Village Assoc; GM stop HS2; GM CE Comb School; Misbourne school; Abbeyfield; Prestwood	Mike Johnstone; Les Giles; John Skrimshire; Seb Berry
22 Sept.	Little Kingshill; Hyde Heath and Hyde End	Little Kingshill Society; Hyde Heath Village Society; and Hyde End RG; Hyde Heath Infant School	Sandra McDonald; Andrew Cordiner; Sue Brown;
23 Sept.	Chesham, Amersham	Chesham and Amersham Town Councils, Amersham and District RA, Amersham AG; Chesham and Amersham Societies.	Jim Conboy; Stan Mason

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What to do about your submitted petitions?

Efforts being made to influence process

- 21 July decision statement:** more detail **Agreed**
now please
- Sept/October timetable:** request for some people to go later eg Potter Row, large parts of South Heath **September deferral being considered**
- Groups to have longer to present:** individuals may then join them, and groups can make a better case **Agreed**
- Long tunnel-only petitions?** – still to go in Sept/Oct **Looks like it**



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3. New MPs on the Select Committee to visit the area on Monday 10th August



Geoffrey Clifton-Brown
Cons – The Cotswolds



David Crausby
Lab - Bolton North-East



Mark Hendrick
Lab - Preston

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Visit on Monday 10th August - afternoon

- A flying visit to the Bucks MP's constituencies, organised by Cheryl
- Starting from Twyford in the north and finishing in Amersham
 - *Less formal than before*
 - *Brief our MP on any different points from before*
 - *Community gathering points*

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Where we go from here to ask for a 'longer' tunnel extension

Chiltern District Council

CRAG

Cheryl Gillan



Thank you for attending

- And if you have submitted a petition **do not forget** to contact David Walker **before 21st August**

Let's avoid



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If you need help – complete the pro forma below

Petitioner Details and Requirements re HS2 Select Committee Pro Forma

1) Contact Details *
 Name:..... Petition Number

Address:.....

Email Address:.....

Phone number(s):

*Personal details will remain confidential, will not be disclosed to third parties and only used by the person(s) coordinating petitioners in your local area.

2) Select Committee (SC) Appearance – please tick as appropriate

	Yes	No
Do you want to present your own petition in person separately?		
Are you willing to present your own petition and represent other petitioners as well?		
Are you willing to present a group presentation?		
Are you willing to join other petitioners in a group presentation and speak as a member of the group?		
Are you willing to attend the hearing but want to be represented and so not speak?		
Are you unlikely to attend the hearing and so will need to be represented?		

Agent's name if appropriate

3) Your main Petition Points
 On the assumption that the remedies that you want are firstly, a fully bored tunnel throughout the Chilterns AONB and secondly, HS2's fully bored Chiltern Tunnel extended as far as possible, what are your other main 'asks' if the first two remedies are not accepted by the Select Committee/HS2. From your petition which two or three 'asks' do you feel strongly about and which will affect you the most?

3.1)

3.2)

3.3)

P.T.O.

4) Data/Training Requirements – please tick as appropriate

	Yes	No
Do you have the evidence you want to use in your presentation?		
Do you have the images/pictures you want to use in your presentation? (eg your house/garden)		
Are you able to produce a digital document of your presentation?		
Do you know how to use Powerpoint?		
If you do not know how to use Powerpoint would you like some training?		
Would you prefer someone else to digitise your presentation?		
Do you wish to use any other medium for your presentation? e.g. a scale model, video		
Are you planning to employ any expert witnesses? (e.g. engineers, estate agents, acousticians, etc.)		
Would you like some advice on how and what you should say?		
Would you like to practise your presentation?		
Are you willing to offer help to other petitioners? If so, what kind of help.		

Any other comments you wish to make

Return to: your Local HS2 Action group or a local group that has petitioned such as Neighbourhood Watch or Residents Association or Parish Council.

Or Great Missenden Parish Council, Memorial centre, Buryfields Link Road, Great Missenden HP16 9AE

Mike Johnson 28 July 15 v 6