

Teversal, Stanton Hill & Skegby Neighbourhood Forum

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Response of the Teversal, Stanton Hill and Skegby Neighbourhood Forum (TSS) (HS2 stakeholder) to the HS2 Phase 2b Working Draft Environmental Statement (WDES) 2018 Consultation. LA10: Tibshelf to Shuttlewood.

Teversal, Stanton Hill and Skegby Neighbourhood Forum represents residents, business owners and employees in the TSS area (the Neighbourhood Area) and values this opportunity to express its concerns, encapsulated in the attached document, relating to the WDES.

These concerns centre on the hamlet of Stanley which lies very close to the proposed scheme (PS) in the LA10 area and falls in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire. Stanley in fact is closer to the PS than Hardstoft, Astwith, Ault Hucknall and Palterton being adjacent to the proposed Tibshelf Cut and Cover Tunnel. There are few references to Stanley in the WDES, including any impacts of the construction and operation on the hamlet or the TSS Neighbourhood Area generally.

We are extremely concerned that the construction and operational phases of HS2 will have significant negative impacts on agriculture, forestry, air quality, our community, ecology, health, the historic environment, land quality, the landscape and visual, socio-economics, sound, noise and vibration, traffic and transport, water resources and flood risk.

We detect no consideration as to how best to mitigate these impacts on Stanley and across the Neighbourhood Area. We are deeply concerned at the apparent lack of input into the development of the scheme so far from Ashfield District Council.

There will be significant impact on the road network in the area as a result of realignment of the M1, and other roads, which the WDES appears not to address. We would have expected HS2 to consult Nottinghamshire County Council, as the Highway Authority, in depth. We therefore urge comprehensive discussions with Ashfield District Council and Nottinghamshire County Council to identify the likely impacts, and to develop strategies to mitigate the impacts.

Yours faithfully,

Mike Vardy.

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