

HS2 Crewe - Manchester: The Hollies Vent Shaft

History and Petitioning Process

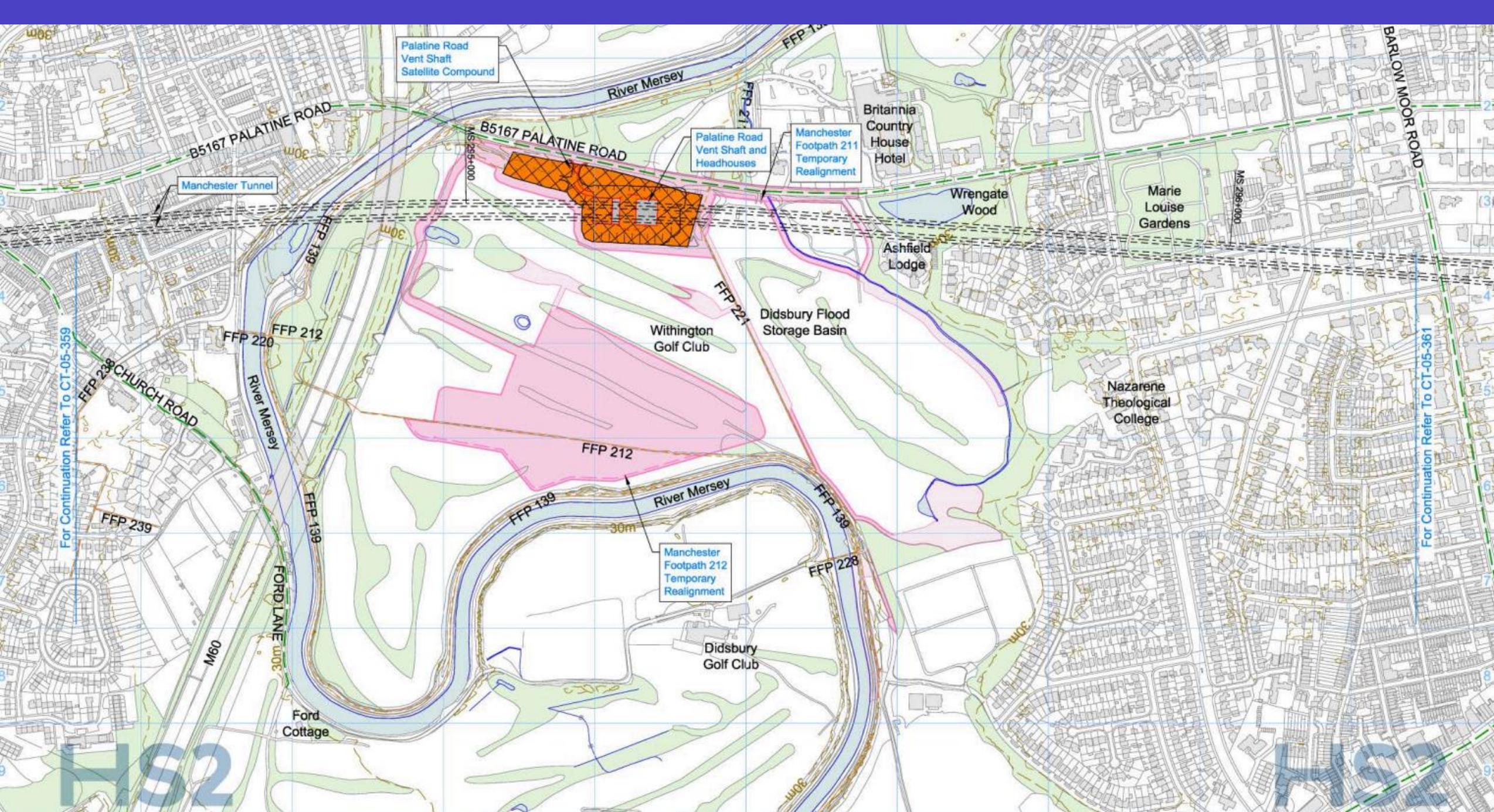


Agenda

- Brief history of HS2 in West Didsbury
- Recap of the proposals set out in Additional Provision 2
- Mapping of interested parties
- Parliamentary process
- Petitioning

History

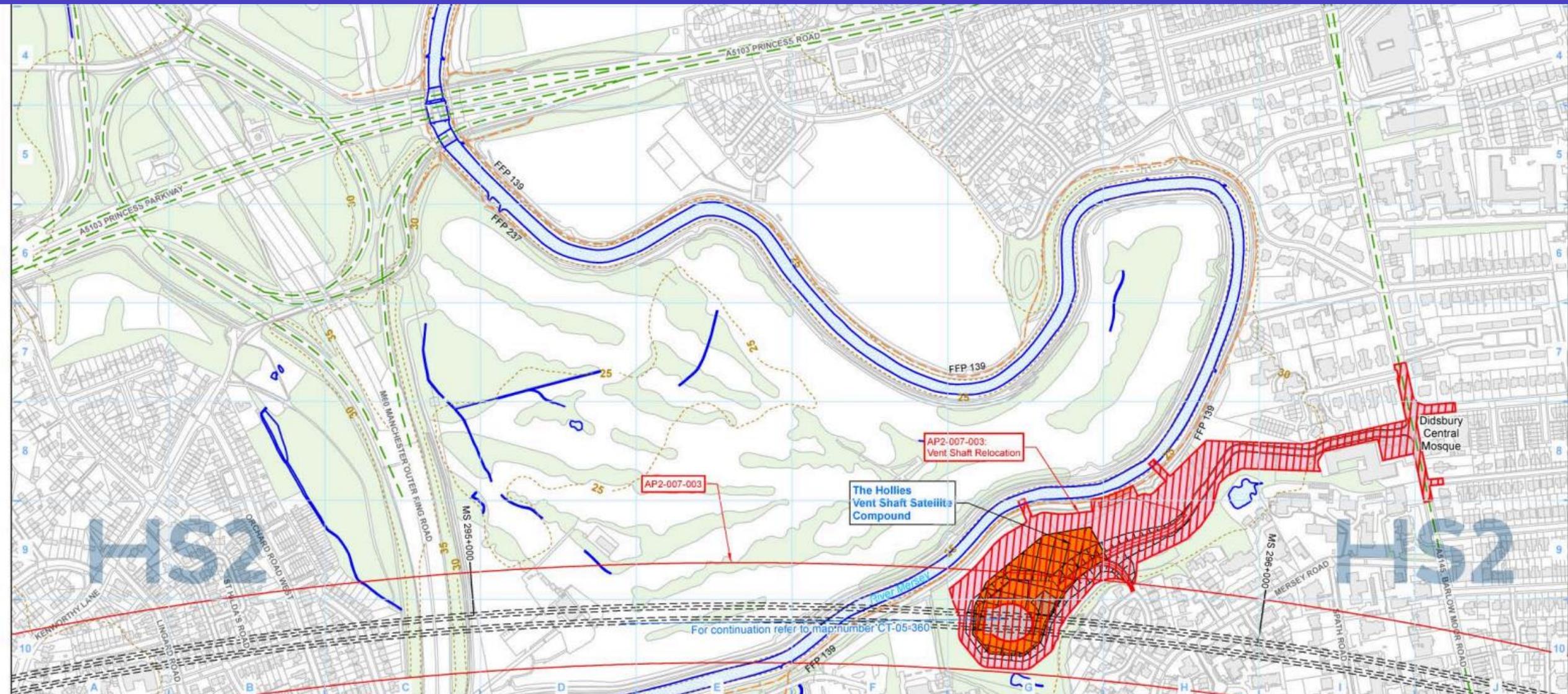
- Announced in 2009 and immediately reviewed in 2010
- Phase 1 and 2 Hybrid bills introduced in 2013 (P1) and 2015 (P2)
- The section specific to Didsbury is known as “Davenport Green to Ardwick (MA07)”
- HS2 have built a case justification that the tunnel boring equipment need to be removed at a suitable point between Manchester Piccadilly and Manchester Airport
- Previous proposals for this site included: The former Greenfinch Pub (Four at Hand), North West corner of Withington Golf Course, Car park at Withington Golf Course. As part of the Phase 2 Bill a proposal for MA07 was deposited with a 50m vent shaft located within the flood basin at the car park of Withington Golf Course
- After extensive consultation, two major weather events and comments from the Environment Agency around mitigation for Basin capacity loss HS2 was forced to look at alternatives. They conducted a review, pre-consultation and deposited an Additional Provision to Parliament early July 2023 with the Hollies as their preferred location for the vent shaft



Current Proposal

Additional Provision 2 (MA07)





Legend

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Depot, station, headhouse or portal building Tunnel portal Main construction compound Satellite construction compound Railway systems compounds System railheads Temporary material stockpile Borrow pit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Railway systems site Storage / prefabrication / laydown areas Land potentially required during construction Land potentially required for mitigation planting Temporary replacement community facility Rail alignment formation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Temporary workers accommodation Community area boundary Construction traffic route Existing public right of way Public right of way closure Temporary public right of way closure Temporary public right of way diversion / realignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New, diverted or realigned public right of way Landscape earthworks Engineering earthworks Temporary highway diversion / realignment Major utility works Major utility works - Removed | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> County boundary Borough / District boundary Tunnels external extent Existing buildings Existing woodland Existing inland water Existing contours Existing watercourse HS2 access | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rail alignment Additional land required at current AP Land no longer required at current AP/SES Additional land required at a previous AP Land no longer required at a previous AP/SES |
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Map Name: Construction Phase SES2 and AP2 ES

Community Area MA07: Davenport Green to Ardwick

HS2

Registered in England: Registration number 06751696
 Registered office: Two Stovell, Sixes Hill Queensway, Birmingham B4 6EA

Scale at A3: 1:5,000

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Date: 04/04/23

Concerns and comments

- Traffic and access issues on and around Barlow Moor Road
- Emergency access route from Mersey Meadows and lack of clarity for HS2's preferred long term access to the vent shaft
- Impact on the viability of the new all-girl Islamic School opening on the former Fielden College site in September 2023. HS2 were not aware the Manchester Islamic Education Trust had bought the site when they settled on this proposal. HS2 have openly admitted the project could impact on the sites viability
- Immediate impact on properties on Mersey Meadows and the Hollies
- Impact on flood zone (proposed site is in flood zone 2 and 3) following weather events in 2020 and 2021
- Loss of biodiversity, green infrastructure along the Mersey corridor
- Loss of right to access from Mersey Meadows to the river
- Wider area impact: highway capacity, Moor Allerton School, Didsbury Mosque
- Long term noise levels

What can we do?

Additional Provision 2 (MA07)



- Petitioning of the changes to the hybrid bill (will be covered in more detail). Deadline: 15th August 2023
- HS2's official consultation. Deadline: 31st August 2023. The findings of the consultation will be provided to the committee
- Petitioners can have the right to provide additional evidence at the hybrid bill's committee hearing. Date to be confirmed

Consultation details:

Supplementary Environmental Statement 2 and Additional Provision 2 Environmental Statement, which can be found via <https://www.hs2.org.uk/crewe-manchester>

Online: <https://ipsos.uk/HS2AP2>

Email: HS2AP2@ipsos.com

Post: FREEPOST HS2 AP2

Other interested parties

- Environment Agency
- Manchester City Council (official report going to the Council's executive 26/07)
- Local Councillors
- MP
- West Didsbury Residents Association
- Manchester Islamic Education Trust
- Didsbury Mosque
- Wildlife Trust
- Other resident groups

Parliamentary process

HS2 is being introduced to parliament as a hybrid bill. This type of bill is subject to a special parliamentary procedure which is longer than that for an ordinary public bill.

As well as being debated in both Houses of Parliament in the usual way, individuals, groups, businesses and organisations specially and directly affected by the bill are given the opportunity to “**petition**” either or both Houses to seek to mitigate the effects of the bill on their property or business. They do this by submitting a petition and then, **if they wish**, putting their case to a **special select committee**.

This process may result in amendments to the bill, but **petitions may not seek to defeat or stop the Bill**.

Parliamentary petitioning

What is it?

- It is a document outlining how the Bill affects a person, group or organisation and how they believe it should be altered to meet their objections.
- It gives MPs sitting on the committee the view from the local community to help them make decisions.
- Consider it similar to a planning permission objection. It should be specific and object on reasonable grounds.

What is it not?

- It is not a traditional “petition” in that it is not about the number of people signing it but the reasons for objecting that is important.
- It is not a lengthy document but a “punchy” summary of objection
- A way to defeat or stop HS2

Who can do it?

- Any individual, group of individuals, organisation or business specially and directly affected by the provisions of the Bill can petition against it. Local authorities, Councillors and MPs may also petition against the bill.
- In Phase 1 this tended to be residents groups on behalf of a large area, but within that area individual streets, businesses and people put in their own petition with specific objections relevant to them.

Building a petition

It should

Say who you, the petitioner(s), are and where you live (or what your business is and where its premises are if it is your business which is affected). If you are petitioning as a group or organisation, the petition should also mention what the group or organisation does and the size of its membership;

It should

Describe how you are specially and directly affected by the Bill, and explain how the Bill will particularly harm you;

It should

State what should be done to reduce the adverse effects the Bill has on you or your property or business and, if possible, how the Bill should be amended to achieve this.

It should not

Include photos. Your petition is just a summary so do not include anything other than text. The appropriate place for photos etc. is in your evidence to the committee.

It should not

Be an objection to HS2 as a whole. The committee will only be able to consider aspects of the project proposed in the Bill, which affect people in their private capacity, not fundamental principles involving broader issues such as whether the railway should be constructed at all.

Organisations petitioning these proposals

Confirmed

- West Didsbury Residents Association
- Manchester Islamic Education Trust
- Mersey Meadows/The Hollies residents
- Local Councillors
- Manchester City Council

Likely

- MP
- Didsbury Mosque
- Individual residents

What can you do?

You can choose to add your name to one of the existing petitions (WDRA, local Councillors or your neighbours) or create your own. Please note that there is a cost of £20 to submit a petition.

You can find guidance on the petitioning process [here](#).

WDRA contact:

mclayton@btinternet.com

Our petition:

Cllr.Richard.Kilpatrick@manchester.gov.uk

Your road:

Check with neighbours or management companies if they will be petitioning parliament and that you wish to sign their petition



Q&A



Thank you