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From: Terry Fisher
Sent: 07 September 2018 17:24
To: TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT
Subject: Network Rail Notices: ewr-145-Notice_1 & ewr-145-Notice_2
Attachments: Network Rail Objection.docx

Dear Sirs,

Please find attached my formal objection to the above stated notice,

Faithfully

Terry Fisher

Winslow
Bucks,

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Dear Sirs,

Please accept this letter as my official formal objection to the above notices filed by Network Rail in conjunction with plan No 661, the 259 sq. meters of wooded area and footpath and No WIS/6/9 to the rear of properties 6, 8 & 10 Highfield Road and adjacent to property 37 Buckingham Road in the Parish of Winslow, Buckinghamshire.

I reside at No _____ Winslow, and have since October 2006.

I should like to advise that the deeds for this property state that I own “ Road together with the rights of way and drainage”. Furthermore, on the original deeds on the land ‘Land Registry Number BM14434 – Title Number BM 11523 paragraph 4’ it states that we shall be responsible for maintaining roads and vehicle access/footpaths until it transfers to the local authority. As the local authority have never adopted this land, it therefore still comes under our remit.

I and my neighbours have regularly used this right of way land for vehicular access to the rear of our properties to carry out maintenance on our gardens and on the rear of our houses. This access has been in place since the land was sold by Gubblesgore Farm in the 1960’s, to allow for the development of Highfield Road. Since then, the residents have been responsible for maintaining the upkeep and clearance of this access.

Whilst I had no objection to the original plans submitted and the temporary use of this land put forward by Network Rail, as we as owners have been very accommodating and obliging throughout.

I feel however I must object to the new amended plans which have been issued as I now find that the vehicle access to the rear of my property will be totally removed since Network Rail now plan to commandeer half of the land for their use. This was not on the original plans that were circulated and I am very disappointed to hear that this change has been included as a late amendment when it has such a negative impact on mine and my neighbours’ properties.

We as owners have applied jointly to the land registry to take full ownership of this land ourselves as a permanent right of way for vehicle access since the properties have been using this access since 1960.

As stated previously, please be advised that I have no objection to Network Rail using the land, merely their intent to take ownership of half of it, thereby restricting vehicular access. This is land that is owned jointly by the residents, and access to the land that we have maintained in accordance with the deeds and as property owners is our right. We consider ourselves as occupiers of the land that we have maintained jointly for the past 30 years.

I would also like to highlight that there appears to be no reason for the land to be retained by Network Rail. According to the drawing of plan sheet no 24 of 136 (Number 0660), there appears to be no significant reason for the retention of extra land since the access is not being narrowed past property No 10.

As a property owner, I have received no communication with any explanation as to the amended plans and why Network Rail require the extra land. With this in mind, I hope that you take mine and neighbours concerns with regard to this acquisition seriously.

I am therefore formally requesting a public local inquiry into this so that our voice can be heard if they believe it necessary to restrict the access to the rear of our properties.

Yours Faithfully,

Terrv Fisher

Winslow,
Buckinghamshire,