

Transport and Works Act 1992

**Transport and Works (Applications and Objections Procedure)
(England and Wales) Rules 2006**

THE MID-SUFFOLK LIGHT RAILWAY ORDER

**APPLICATION TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER SECTION 6
OF THE TRANSPORT AND WORKS ACT 1992 FOR AN ORDER
UNDER SECTIONS 1 AND 5 OF THAT ACT**

The Secretary of State for Transport
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1. On behalf of the Mid-Suffolk Light Railway Company ("the Company") we hereby apply for an Order under sections 1 and 5 of the Transport and Works Act 1992 in the terms of the draft Order accompanying this application.
2. The Order concerns part of the former Mid-Suffolk Light Railway ("the railway") located within the site of the Mid-Suffolk Light Railway Museum in Wetheringsett in Suffolk. The Company has planning permission granted by Mid-Suffolk District Council for the re-laying of approximately 936m of track on the former track bed of the railway, including where it crosses an existing public footpath (FP46), and the construction of a new halt.
3. The Order would provide statutory authority the Company to maintain and operate the railway authorised by planning permission, including a level crossing over the public footpath, and would also require the Company to provide, maintain and operate at the level crossing such protective equipment as the Office of Rail and Road requires.
4. The Order would further provide for the Company and any subsequent railway undertakers to sub-lease all or part of the railway and, on so doing, to transfer their statutory rights and liabilities relating to it to the lessee with the consent of the owner of the freehold and the Secretary of State, but without the need for a further statutory instrument.
5. In accordance with Rules 10 and 27 of the Transport and Works (Applications and Objections Procedure) (England and Wales) Rules 2006 a copy of each of the following documents accompanies this electronic submission of the application:
 - Draft Order
 - Explanatory Memorandum
 - Statement of Aims

- Report summarising consultations undertaken
- Funding Statement
- List of Consents (providing details of relevant planning consents)

Although not a statutory requirement, there is also provided a plan and sections of the railway.

6. All requests for further information and all notices or other documents required to be served upon the applicant should be sent by email to jane.wakeham@wslaw.co.uk.

Dated 1st August 2024

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