HIGH SPEED RAIL (LONDON - WEST MIDLANDS) ACT 2017

HIGH SPEED RAIL (LONDON - WEST MIDLANDS) GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION No. 540

This **GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION** is executed on by the Secretary of State for Transport ("the Authority").

23rd August 2021

WHEREAS:

- (1) On 23 February 2017 the High Speed Rail (London West Midlands) Act 2017 ("the High Speed Rail Act") received Royal Assent authorising the Authority to acquire the land specified in the Schedule hereto.
- (2) Section 4(1) of the High Speed Rail Act authorises the Authority to acquire compulsorily so much of the land within the limits of the High Speed Rail Act as may be required for Phase One purposes¹.
- (3) Section 4(4) of the High Speed Rail Act provides that the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 ("the 1981 Act") applies as if the High Speed Rail Act were a compulsory purchase order and paragraph 3² of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail Act provides that the 1981 Act shall have effect subject to the modifications specified in that paragraph.
- (4) Notice pursuant to section 3A³ of the 1981 Act was first published on 27 July 2021. That notice included the particulars specified in section 3A(3) of the 1981 Act.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH that, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 4 of the 1981 Act, the Authority hereby declares:-

1. The land described in the Schedule hereto (being part of the land authorised to be acquired by the High Speed Rail Act) and more particularly delineated and shown coloured pink on the plan annexed hereto, together with the right to enter upon and take possession of the land, shall vest in the Authority as from the end of the period of 3 months from the date on which the service of notices required by section 6⁴ of the 1981 Act is completed.

For the purposes of Section 2(2) of the 1981 Act, the specified period in relation to the land comprised in this declaration is one year and one day.

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¹ Phase One Purposes has meaning given by section 67 of the High Speed Rail Act

² Paragraph 3 as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 14 to, the High Speed Rail Act.

³ Section 3A of the 1981 Act as inserted by paragraph 3(a) of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail Act as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraphs 6 and 7 of Schedule 14 to, that Act.

⁴ Section 6 as modified by paragraph 3(c) of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail Act, as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 14 to, that Act

SCHEDULE

Metropolitan Borough of Solihull

(1) Plot No.	(2) Description
54747	All interests in 820.34 square metres, or thereabouts, of scrubland, accessway, telecommunications mast and public road verge (Bickenhill Parkway, B4438) excluding any interests held by the Secretary of State for Transport
54749	All interests in 366.91 square metres, or thereabouts, of public road verge and footway (Bickenhill Parkway, B4438)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Secretary of State for Transport has hereunto set its corporate seal on the day in the year first written above.

The **CORPORATE SEAL** of the SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT hereunto affixed to this deed is authenticated by

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Dated: 23td August 2021

Authorised Signatory

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