



# Channel Tunnel Rail Link Act 1996

## 1996 CHAPTER 61

### PART III

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

#### 56 Interpretation

(1) In this Act, except where the context otherwise requires—

“A2 and M2 improvement works” has the meaning given by section 44(1) above;

“bridleway”, “carriageway”, “cycle track”, “footpath”, “footway”, “highway”, “highway authority” and “local highway authority” have the same meanings as in the Highways Act 1980;

“burial ground” means a churchyard, cemetery or other ground, whether consecrated or not, which has at any time been set apart for the purposes of interment;

“deposited plans” and “deposited sections” mean respectively the following plans and sections deposited in connection with the Channel Tunnel Rail Link Bill in the office of the Clerk of the Parliaments and the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons, namely—

- (a) the plans and sections shown on Sheets Nos. 1 to 6 and 9 to 24 of the plans and sections deposited in November 1995 in connection with the Barking Extended Tunnel,
- (b) the plans and sections deposited in November 1995 otherwise than in connection with the Barking Extended Tunnel,
- (c) the plans and sections deposited in December 1995, and
- (d) the plans and sections deposited in November 1994, so far as not superseded by the plans and sections mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c) above;

“development agreement” means an agreement (including one entered into before the passing of this Act) to which the Secretary of State is a party and under which another party has responsibilities in relation to the design, construction, financing or maintenance of the rail link;

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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“limits of deviation” means the limits of deviation which are shown on the deposited plans;

“limits of land to be acquired or used” means the limits of land to be acquired or used which are shown on the deposited plans;

“owner” has the same meaning as in the Acquisition of Land Act 1981;

“rail link” means—

- (a) the railway between St. Pancras, in London, and the Channel Tunnel portal at Castle Hill, Folkestone, in Kent, authorised to be constructed by section 1(1) above, together with its associated works, facilities and installations, and
- (b) the railway comprised in Works Nos. 11, 11A and 11B (which connects the railway mentioned in paragraph (a) above with the Chatham to Victoria Line), together with its associated works, facilities and installations;

“rail link undertaker” means a person who, under section 34 above, is the nominated undertaker for any purpose of section 1(1) or 14(1) above, so far as relating to the rail link;

“scheduled works” has the meaning given by section 1(1) above; and

“scheduled works agreement” means an agreement relating to the design, construction, financing, maintenance or operation of any of the scheduled works.

(2) References in this Act to the nominated undertaker shall be read in accordance with section 34 above.

(3) In this Act—

- (a) a reference to a highway or any other place identified by letters and numbers is a reference to the highway or place shown as such on the deposited plans,
- (b) a reference to a work identified by a number (or a number and a letter) is a reference to the scheduled work or, as the case may be, the A2 and M2 improvement work of that number (or number and letter),
- (c) references to specified distances shall be construed as if the words “or thereabouts” were inserted after each such distance, distances between points on a road or railway being measured along the centre line of the road or railway.