EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order authorises Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (referred to in this Order as Network Rail) to construct and operate a new section of railway, running partly on embankment and partly on viaduct, to the north of Doncaster.

The purpose of this Order is to construct a new 3.2 kilometre twin track railway chord to pass over the East Coast Main Line connecting directly the Skellow and Askern railway lines. The new chord would provide a direct cross-country route for freight trains and remove the need for those slow moving freight trains to have to travel along the East Coast Main Line railway. This will provide greater capacity and efficiency for high speed passenger trains using the East Coast Main Line.

The Order would permit Network Rail to acquire, compulsorily or by agreement, land and rights in land and to use land for this purpose.

The Order also makes provision in connection with the maintenance of the new section of railway.

A copy of the plans and sections and the book of reference mentioned in this Order and certified in accordance with article 42 of this Order (certification of plans, etc.) may be inspected free of charge during working hours at the offices of the Company Secretary and Solicitor to Network Rail Infrastructure Limited at Kings Place, 90 York Way, London N1 9AG.