

Role

John Rhodes acted as the Expert Witness for Network Rail in the second public inquiry during 2005. The Transport and Works Act order was made in 2006, work began in 2007 and is due to be completed in 2018.

Thameslink 2000 is a £6 billion upgrade and expansion of the existing Thameslink route which runs north-south through central London, stretching from Bedford to Brighton and linking major transport hubs including Luton and Gatwick Airports, St Pancras International and London Bridge station.

In addition to extending the 50-station main line service to a further 100 stations, the project includes a new landmark station at Blackfriars and major improvements to London Bridge and Farringdon stations in London.

The project involves nationally important transport and economic matters, as well as more specific considerations in areas such as Borough in London where construction of the new viaduct alongside the existing rail bridge over Borough Market relieves a major 'bottle-neck' for trains.

Description

Expert Planning Witness services during 2005 inquiry

Client Network Rail

Planning Authority

Department for Transport

Expertise

Planning	V
CIL	
Environmental Planning	
Development Economics	
Socio-economic	
Infrastructure	V
Strategic Land Promotion	
Regeneration	
СРО	

Project Type

Infrastructure	\checkmark
Major Mixed Use	
Residential	
Retail & Commercial	