

STANDING ORDERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

Of the 7th Day of June 1792,

WITH REFERENCE TO

NAVIGABLE CANALS, AQUEDUCTS, AND THE NAVIGATION OF RIVERS

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RESOLVED,

THAT the Standing Orders of the House, of the 28th of January 1771, the 25th of April 1774, the 15th of November 1775, and the 20th of July 1789, respecting Navigation Bills, be repealed.

RESOLVED,

THAT, when any Application is intended to be made to the House, for Leave to bring in a Bill for making any Cut or Canal for the Purposes of Navigation, or any Cut, Canal, or Aqueduct, for the Purpose of supplying any City, Town, or Place, with Water, or for varying or altering any such Cut, Canal, or Aqueduct, already made, or for making or improving the Navigation of any River, or for altering any Act of Parliament passed for any or either of those Purposes (in which Bill for altering any such Act it is intended to give Power for raising any further or additional Rates, Tolls, or Duties) Notice of such intended Application shall be inserted Three Times in *The London Gazette*, in the Months of *August* and *September*, or either of them, previous to the Session of Parliament in which such Application is intended to be made : And that such Notice shall also be inserted in some One News-paper of every County through which any such Cut, Canal, or Aqueduct, is intended to be carried, or in which such Cut, Canal, or Aqueduct, already made, is intended to be varied or altered, or in which such River, or such Part thereof as is intended to be made Navigable, or the Navigation thereof to be improved, is situated (or, if there is not any News-paper printed in or for such Counties respectively, then in the News-paper of some County near or adjoining thereto) Three Times at the least, in the Months of *August* and *September*, or either of them, immediately preceding the Session of Parliament in which such Application is intended to be made : And that such Notice shall also be given at the General Quarter Session of the Peace which shall be holden for every and each County, Riding, or Division, through which any such Cut, Canal, or Aqueduct, is intended to be carried, or in which such Cut, Canal, or Aqueduct, already made, is intended to be varied or altered, or in which such River, or such Part thereof as is intended to be made Navigable, or the Navigation thereof to be improved, is situated, at the *Michaelmas* preceding the Session of Parliament in which such Application is intended to be made, by affixing such Notice to the Door of the Session Houses respectively where such General Quarter Session shall be holden.

RESOLVED,

THAT such several Notices shall contain the Names of the Parishes and Townships in, to, or through which any such Cut, Canal, or Aqueduct, is intended to be carried, varied, or altered, or in which such River, or such Part thereof as is intended to be made Navigable, or the Navigation thereof to be improved, is situated.

RESOLVED,

THAT a Map or Plan of such intended Cut, Canal, Aqueduct, or Navigation, and also of any intended Alteration in any Cut, Canal, Aqueduct, or Navigation, already made, shall be deposited, for Public Inspection, at the Office of the Clerk of the Peace of every County, Riding, or Division, through which such Cut, Canal, Aqueduct, or Navigation, is intended to be carried, or such Alteration is intended to be made, on or before the Eleventh Day of *November* previous to the Session of Parliament, in which such Application is intended to be made ; which Map or Plan shall describe the Line of such intended Cut, Canal, Aqueduct, or Navigation, or of such intended Alteration, and the Lands through which the same is intended to be carried, together with a Book of Reference containing a List of the Names of the Owners, or reputed Owners, and Occupiers, of such Lands respectively.

RESOLVED,

THAT, before any Application is made to the House for any or either of the Purposes aforesaid, a previous Application shall be made to the Owners, or reputed Owners, and Occupiers, of the Lands through which any such Cut, Canal, Aqueduct, or Navigation, is intended to be carried, or any such Alteration is intended to be made ; and that separate Lists shall be made of the Names of such Owners and Occupiers, distinguishing which of them, upon such Application, have assented to, or dissented from, such intended Cut, Canal, Aqueduct, or Navigation, or such Alteration, or are neuter in respect thereto.

RESOLVED,

THAT, whenever any Petition is presented to the House for any or either of the Purposes aforesaid, there shall be presented, with such Petition, the Lists mentioned in the last preceding Resolution, and also a Duplicate of the Map or Plan so to be deposited at the Office of the Clerk of the Peace, as aforesaid.

RESOLVED,

THAT, whenever any Petition is presented to the House for making, varying, or altering, any such Cut, Canal, or Aqueduct, as aforesaid, or making or improving the Navigation of a River, there be annexed to the said Petition an Estimate of the proposed Expence of such Undertaking (in Cases where Provision is intended to be made for raising Money to defray such Expence) such Estimate to be signed by the Person or Persons making the same : And, if such Money is proposed to be raised by Subscription, that there be also annexed to the said Petition, an Account of the Money

subscribed for that Purpose, and the Names of the Subscribers, with the Sums by them subscribed respectively.

RESOLVED,

THAT, whenever any Petition has been presented to the House for the Purposes aforefaid, or any or either of them, the Committee, to whom such Petition shall be referred, do examine, in the First Place, how far the Orders contained in the preceding Resolutions have been complied with, and do report the same, at the Time when they report the Matter of any such Petition, as it shall appear to them, to the House.

RESOLVED,

THAT the Clerks of the Peace, or their respective Deputies, do make a Memorial, in Writing, upon the Plan and Book of Reference deposited with them in Manner aforefaid, denoting the Time at which the same was lodged in their respective Offices ; and do, at all reasonable Hours of the Day, permit any Person to view and examine the same, and to make Copies or Extracts therefrom, such Person paying the same the usual and accustomed Fees paid to such Clerks of the Peace, for the Inspection, and Copying of, or making Extracts from, Records in their respective Offices.

RESOLVED,

THAT, in all Bills presented to the House for any or either of the Purposes aforefaid, Provision be made for compelling the Persons who have subscribed towards carrying any such Work into Execution, to make Payment of the Sums severally subscribed by them ; and also to oblige the Commissioners or Trustees to take Security from their Treasurer, Receiver, or Collector, for the faithful Execution of his Office.

ORDERED,

THAT the last Nine of the said Resolutions be made Standing Orders of this House.

ORDERED,

THAT the said several Resolutions be printed ; and that Copies thereof be sent to the Sheriffs of the several Counties of *Great Britain*, and also, to the Clerks of the Peace within *England* and *Wales* ; and that the said Sheriffs do take Care that Copies of the same be published, and distributed within their respective Counties.

J.HATSELL,
Cl. Dom. Com.

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