2011 No. 1532

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A47 Trunk Road (A11 Thickthorn Interchange to A146 Interchange, Norwich, Norfolk) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011

 Made
 17th June 2011

 Coming into force
 24th June 2011

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A47 Trunk Road ("the A47"), is satisfied that traffic on a length of that road in the County of Norfolk should be restricted and prohibited because works are proposed to be executed thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a) hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the A47 Trunk Road (A11 Thickthorn Interchange to A146 Interchange, Norwich, Norfolk) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 24th June 2011.

2. In this Order -

"tip of the nosing" means, as indicated by the markings on the carriageway, the first point where an entry slip road joins, or the last point where an exit slip road leaves, the carriageway of the trunk road;

"the first length of trunk road" means the A47 -

- (a) westbound carriageway from a point 500 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road leading to the A140 Interchange, to a point 600 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road leading to the A11 Thickthorn Interchange, and
- (b) eastbound carriageway from a point 100 metres west of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road leading from the A11 Thickthorn Interchange, to a point 800 metres west of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road leading to the A140 Interchange;

"the second length of trunk road" means the A47 from a point 1200 metres west of the tips of the nosings of the westbound entry and eastbound exit slip roads leading from and to the A140 Interchange, westwards for a distance of 400 metres;

"the westbound carriageway" and "the eastbound carriageway" mean respectively the westbound carriageway and the eastbound carriageway of the second length of trunk road;

⁽a) 1984 c.27; a new section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 1.

"lay-by" means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles, bounded partly by a road marking on the outer edge of that carriageway complying with diagram 1010 in Schedule 6 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(a); and in this definition "carriageway" means a way constituting or comprised in a trunk road (other than a cycle track) over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles and which has a surface suitable for the exercise of that right;

"overall width" has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(b);

"works" mean replacement of an overhead power line on a transmission tower adjacent to the A47:

"the works period" means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Tuesday 5th July 2011 and ending when the works have been completed;

and a reference to an article followed by a number is a reference to the article in this Order which bears that number.

- **3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 6, 7 and 8 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of trunk road.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 6, 7 and 8 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to -
 - (a) enter or proceed in the westbound carriageway,
 - (b) proceed in the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway in any direction other than westwards,
 - (c) proceed in the eastbound carriageway with an overall width exceeding 3 metres unless escorted by an authorised vehicle, or
 - (d) overtake any other moving vehicle in the eastbound carriageway.
- **5.** Subject as mentioned in articles 6, 7 and 8 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter a lay-by adjacent to the A47 -
 - (a) eastbound carriageway situated 600 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road leading from the A11 Thickthorn Interchange,
 - (b) westbound carriageway situated 1500 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road leading to the A140 Interchange, and
 - (c) westbound carriageway 1200 metres west of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road leading from the A140 Interchange.
- **6.** The provisions of articles 3, 4 and 5 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs.
 - 7. The provisions of articles 4 and 5 shall not apply to a vehicle -
 - (a) being used for, or in connection with, the works or traffic officer purposes;
 - (b) being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes, or
 - (c) proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or traffic officer in uniform.

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to a vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (b) of this article or a vehicle falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(c) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

⁽a) S.I. 2002/3113; Part I.

⁽b) S.I. 1986/1078, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

⁽c) S.I. 2011/935.

8. The provisions of article 5(a) and (b) shall not apply to a vehicle described in article 4(c) when waiting in a lay-by to be escorted by an authorised vehicle through the works.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Woodlands, Manton Lane, Bedford 17th June 2011

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