2011 No. 2040

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A30 Trunk Road (Peamore Layby, South of Alphington, Devon) (Layby Closure) Order 2011

 Made
 15th August 2011

 Coming into force
 22nd August 2011

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 1(1) and 2(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), makes the following Order:-

- **1.** This Order may be cited as the A30 Trunk Road (Peamore Layby, South of Alphington, Devon) (Layby Closure) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 22nd August 2011.
 - 2. In this Order -

"the trunk road" means the A30 Trunk Road south of Alphington in the district of Teignbridge in the county of Devon;

"carriageway" means a way consisting of, or comprised in, the trunk road being a way (other than a cycle track) over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles with a surface suitable for the exercise of that right;

"layby" 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(b);

"the layby" means the layby adjacent to the eastbound carriageway of the A30 Trunk Road, south of Alphington from a point 138 metres southeast of the centre of the A379 Peamore Overbridge to a point 318 metres southeast of the centre of the same overbridge.

- **3.** Save as mentioned in article 4 of this Order, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter, proceed or remain in the layby.
- **4**. Nothing in article 3 of this Order shall apply to a vehicle being used for fire and rescue service, ambulance, police, Traffic Officer, Vehicle Operator Service Agency or highway maintenance purposes.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

Malcolm Roberts
A Service Delivery Manager
in the Highways Agency

15th August 2011

⁽a) 1984 c.27; sections 1(1) and 2(1) and (2) were amended by the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c.22), section 168 and Schedule 8, paragraphs 17(2) and 18(2) and (3)

⁽b) SI 2002/3113

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This does not form part of the Order)

Peamore Layby is situated on the eastbound carriageway of the A30 south of Alphington in Devon. At this point the carriageway slopes downwards and curves to the right.

The recently completed M5 Junction 31 Improvement Scheme made changes to the junction layout. This included lengthening the divergence lane for the M5 and the A38 westwards towards the location of the layby. However, safety concerns have arisen concerning vehicles re-entering the main carriageway from the layby. In addition to having to compensate for the slope and curvature of the carriageway, drivers also have to contend with vehicles changing lanes in readiness for the divergence of the carriageway for lanes to the M5 Motorway and to the A38.

In view of this potentially hazardous manoeuvre, it is proposed that the layby is closed with the exception of vehicles being used for or by the emergency services, Highway Agency traffic officers, Vehicle Operator Services Agency, and highway maintenance purposes.

Parking facilities are available for road users at Exeter Services at M5 Junction 30, approximately 4.5 miles beyond Peamore Layby.