## 2012 No. 1729

## **ROAD TRAFFIC**

## The A66 Trunk Road (Elton Interchange to Yarm Road Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

Made - - - - 21st June 2012

Coming into force - - 1st July 2012

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A66 Trunk Road and connecting roads, in the District of Stockton-on-Tees, is satisfied that traffic on that trunk road and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway repair and joint renewal 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), makes the following Order: -

**1.** This Order may be cited as the A66 Trunk Road (Elton Interchange to Yarm Road Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 1st July 2012.

## 2. In this Order; -

"the A66" means the A66 Trunk Road;

"the eastbound carriageway" means the A66 eastbound carriageway from a point 2500 metres west of the centreline of the western overbridge at the A135 Yarm Road Interchange eastwards for a distance of 2500 metres;

"the westbound carriageway" means the A66 westbound carriageway from the end of the existing permanent 50 miles per hour speed restriction, a point 20 metres east of the centreline of the eastern overbridge, at Yarm Road Interchange westwards for a distance of 2500 metres;

"a first slip road" means the A66:

- (i) eastbound entry slip road at Elton Interchange; and
- (ii) westbound entry slip road at Yarm Road Interchange;

"a second slip road" means the A66:

- (i) eastbound and westbound exit and entry slip roads at Yarm Road Interchange; and
- (ii) westbound exit slip road at Elton Interchange;

"the 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); and in this definition "carriageway" means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in the A66 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;

<sup>(</sup>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.

<sup>(</sup>b) S.I. 2002/3113. Part I.

"the works period" means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 2nd July 2012 or any subsequent night thereafter until the said 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 article 6 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the eastbound carriageway, the westbound carriageway or a first slip road.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in article 6 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a second slip road.
- **5.** Subject as mentioned in article 6 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in a layby situated adjacent to the A66:
  - (i) eastbound carriageway approximately 725 metres east of Elton Interchange overbridge;
  - (ii) westbound carriageway approximately 725 metres east of Yarm Road Interchange western overbridge; or
  - (iii) westbound carriageway approximately 1300 metres west of Yarm Road Interchange eastern overbridge.
- **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. Nothing in article 4 and 5 shall apply to:
  - (a) a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;
  - (b) a vehicle being used for, or in connection with, the said works, or for winter maintenance or traffic officer purposes; or
  - (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform;

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to any vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article.

**7.** No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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21st June 2012