STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 2038

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A31 Trunk Road (Merley Roundabout – Roundhouse Roundabout) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013

 Made
 12th August 2013

 Coming into force
 31st August 2013

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A31 Trunk Road and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be prohibited on a length of that road and on some of those connecting roads 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 A31 Trunk Road (Merley Roundabout – Roundhouse Roundabout) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 31st August 2013.

2. In this Order:

"the trunk road" means the A31 Trunk Road in the County of Dorset;

"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(**b**);

"an A31 lay-by" means a lay-by in –

- (i) the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road between marker posts 37/2 and 37/0 east of its junction with the B3074 (Blandford Road),
- (ii) the westbound carriageway of the trunk road between marker posts 36/8 and 36/9 east of its junctions with the B3074 (Blandford Road),
- (iii) the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road between marker posts 34/7 and 34/6 east of Lake Gate roundabout (B3078), or
- (iv) the westbound carriageway of the trunk road between marker posts 34/0 and 34/2 east of Lake Gates roundabout (B3078);

"the length of trunk road" means both carriageways of the trunk road between Merley roundabout (A349 – Gravel Hill) and Roundhouse roundabout (A350 – Poole Road;

"a side road" means -

(i) Candy's Lane at its junction with the westbound carriageway of the 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.

⁽**b**) S.I. 2002/3113.

- (ii) the B3073 (Julian's Road) at its junction with the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road at Lake Gates roundabout,
- (iii) Wimbourne Road at its junction with the westbound carriageway of the trunk road at Lake Gates roundabout,
- (iv) the B3074 (Blandford Road) at its junction with the westbound carriageway of the trunk road, or
- (v) Brickyard Lane at its junction with the westbound carriageway of the trunk road;

"works" mean essential carriageway/cable repairs and all associated work on the trunk road;

"a first works period" means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Monday 2nd September 2013 or on any subsequent day until 28th February 2015

"a second works period" means a period of -

- (i) 7½ hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 2nd September 2013 or on any subsequent day other than a Friday, Saturday or Sunday,
- (ii) 7 hours starting at 2230 hours on Friday 6th September 2013 or on any subsequent Friday,
- (iii) 8 hours starting at 2200 hours on Saturday 7th September 2013 or on any subsequent Saturday or Sunday,

until 28th February 2015.

- 3. Subject as mentioned in article 4 below, no person shall -
 - (a) during a first works period cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in, or wait on, an A31 lay-by; or
 - (b) during a second works period cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the length of trunk road or a side road.
- **4.** The provisions of article 3 above shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs, and shall not apply to -
 - (a) a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;
 - (b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, fire and rescue authority or traffic officer purposes:
 - (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform; or
 - (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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12th August 2013