STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 102

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A2 Trunk Road (Darenth Interchange, Westbound Link Road) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014

Made - - - - 20th January 2014

Coming into force - - 8th February 2014

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A2 Trunk Road and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on one 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 A2 Trunk Road (Darenth Interchange, Westbound Link Road) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 8th February 2014.

2. In this Order:

"the trunk road" means the A2 Trunk Road in the County of Kent;

"the link road" means the road leading from the westbound carriageway of the trunk road to the northbound carriageway of the A282 at Darenth Interchange (M25 Junction 2);

"a hard shoulder" means that part of the trunk road adjacent to the link road, which is separated from that carriageway by the outer edge of a road marking of the type shown in diagram 1012.3 in Schedule 6 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directory 2002(**b**);

"works" mean bridge maintenance and all other associated work on the trunk road;

"a first works period" means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Monday 10th February 2014 or on any subsequent day until 7th August 2015; and

"a second works period" means a period of -

- (i) 7½ hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 10th February 2014 or on any subsequent day other than a Friday, Saturday or Sunday,
- (ii) 7 hours starting at 2300 hours on Friday 14th February 2014 or on any subsequent Friday,
- (iii) 8 hours starting at 2200 hours on Saturday 15th February 2014 or on any subsequent Saturday, or

⁽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.

(iv) 7 hours starting at 2230 hours on Sunday 16th February 2014 or on any subsequent Sunday,

until 7th August 2015.

- **3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the link road.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a first works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the link road or a hard shoulder.
- **5.** The provisions of articles 3 and 4 above shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.
 - **6.** (1) Nothing in article 3 above shall apply to -
 - (a) a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;
 - (b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, traffic officer or fire and rescue authority 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.
- (2) Nothing in article 4 above shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes and 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 for Transport

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20th January 2014