STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 3064

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A556 Trunk Road (Between the A5034 and the A556/A56/M56 Bowdon Roundabout) and the M56 Motorway (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2014

Made - - - - 4th November 2014

Coming into force - - 9th November 2014

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A556 Trunk Road, the M56 Motorway and the circulatory carriageway and their link roads is satisfied that traffic on those roads in Cheshire East should be prohibited and restricted because works are proposed to be executed thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 14 (1)(a) and 15(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the A556 Trunk Road (Between the A5034 and the A556/A56/M56 Bowdon Roundabout) and the M56 Motorway (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 9th November 2014.

2. In this Order;

"the trunk road" means the A556 Trunk Road;

"the motorway" means the M56 Motorway at Junction 7;

"the circulatory carriageway" means the circulatory carriageway of the A556/A56/M56 Bowdon Roundabout;

"works" means the construction of temporary site accesses and associated works on the trunk road and motorway;

"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 first works period" means a period starting at 0700 hours on Monday 10th November 2014 and ending at 2400 hours on Saturday 31st December 2016;

"the second works period" means periods overnight between 2100 hours and 0600 hours during a period starting on Monday 10th November 2014 and ending on Tuesday 23rd December 2014;

⁽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.

"the lengths of carriageway" means the northbound and southbound carriageways of the trunk road from the centreline of the junction of the trunk road with the A5034 Mereside Road to the point where the centrepoint of the trunk road meets the circulatory carriageway;

"the first layby to be closed" means the layby adjacent to the northbound carriageway of the trunk road from a point 728 metres north of the centreline of the junction of the trunk road with the C116/C Millington Lane;

"the second layby to be closed" means the layby adjacent to the northbound carriageway of the trunk road from a point 1256 metres north of the centreline of the junction of the trunk road with the C116/C Millington Lane;

"the third layby to be closed" means the layby adjacent to the southbound carriageway of the trunk road from a point 46 metres south of the centreline of the junction of the trunk road with the QW2238 Yarwood Heath Lane;

"the link road" means free flow link road leading from the southbound carriageway of the motorway to the southbound carriageway of the trunk road at Bowdon roundabout.

- **3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 of this Order, during the first works period, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to be driven in the lengths of carriageway or the circulatory carriageway at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in article 7 of this Order, during the first works period, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the first, second and third layby to be closed.
- **5.** Subject as mentioned in article 7 of this Order, during the second works period, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the link road.
- **6.** The Secretary of State is satisfied that the execution of the said works will take longer than a period of 18 months starting on the date when this Order comes into force.
- **7.** The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 of this Order 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 any vehicle being used for emergency purposes by the police, fire and rescue or ambulance services, vehicles being used in connection with the works, or by traffic officers, or to any vehicle proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police officer or traffic officer in uniform.

And nothing in articles 4 and 5 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works, winter maintenance or by traffic officers.

8. 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 for Transport

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4th November 2014

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