STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 253

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M53 Motorway (Junction 5 Southbound Carriageway and the Northbound and Southbound Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2015

Made - - - - 7th January 2015

Coming into force - - 25th January 2015

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M53 Motorway and its slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on a section of that motorway and on five of those slip roads in Cheshire West and Chester should be prohibited 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 M53 Motorway (Junction 5 Southbound Carriageway and the Northbound and Southbound Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2015 and shall come into force on 25th January 2015.

2. In this Order;

"the motorway" means the M53 Motorway;

"the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road" means the last point at which the slip road leaves the carriageway of the motorway;

"the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road" means the last point at which the slip road joins the carriageway of the motorway;

"works" means barrier and general maintenance works;

"the works period" means periods overnight between 2200 hours and 0500 hours (continuing to 0700 hours on Saturday and Sunday mornings) during a period starting on Monday 26th January 2015 and ending on Friday 27th February 2015. However, work may start and continue between the same times on subsequent nights or continue until completed, for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work;

"the length of the carriageway" means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip at Junction 5 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 5;

⁽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 first slip road" means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

"the second slip road" means the entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

"the third slip road" means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

"the fourth slip road" means the entry slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

"the fifth slip road" means dedicated left turn slip road leading from the A41 northbound to the fourth slip road.

- 3. Subject as mentioned in article 4 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the length of carriageway or the first, second, third, fourth and fifth slip roads.
- 4. The provisions of article 3 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 being used for winter maintenance purposes, or by traffic officers, or to any vehicle proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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