STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2026 No. 168

ROADS

The Circular Road, Newtownards (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2026

Made - - - -	*2nd October 2026*
Coming into operation -	*11th November 2026*

The Department for Infrastructure(**a**) makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 68(1) and (5) of the Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993(**b**) and now vested in it(**c**).

The Department in accordance with Article 68(4) of that Order, proposes to abandon the area of road described in the Schedule as it is not necessary for road traffic.

Notice has been published, served and displayed in compliance with paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 8 to that Order.

No objection has been received.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Circular Road, Newtownards (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2026 and shall come into operation on 11th November 2026.

Application

2. The area of road described in the Schedule is abandoned.

3.—(1) All existing cables, wires, mains, pipes or other apparatus placed along, across, over or under the abandoned area of road shall be retained.

(2) All existing rights as to the use or maintenance of such cables, wires, mains, pipes or other apparatus shall be preserved.

(**a**) Formerly the Department for Regional Development; see section 1(6) and (11) of, and Schedule 1 to, the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (2016 c. 5 (N.I.))
(**b**) S.I. 1993/3160 (N.I. 15)
(**c**) S.R. 1999 No. 481 Article 6(d) and Schedule 4 Part IV

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Infrastructure on 2nd October 2026

(L.S.)

R Balfour
A senior officer of the Department for Infrastructure

SCHEDULE

Article 2

AREA OF ROAD TO BE ABANDONED

An area of 516 square metres of road and footway located on Circular Road, Newtownards adjacent to the Strangford Arms Hotel commencing at its junction with Church Street and extending for a distance of 58 metres in a southerly direction, more particularly delineated and shown hatched and coloured red on map number IN1/26/443197.

A copy of the map has been deposited at the Department's Headquarters, 3rd Floor Area A, James House, The Gasworks, 2-4 Cromac Avenue, Belfast and at DfI TRAM Southern Division, Ards Section Office, 2 Jubilee Road, Newtownards.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order abandons the area of road described in the Schedule.