STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1973 No. 32

HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Exeter—Leeds Trunk Road (Southern Connection from Gloucester to M5) Order 1973

Made - - - *8th January* 1973

Coming into Operation *2nd February* 1973

The Secretary of State for the Environment makes this Order in exercise of powers conferred by sections 7 and 44 of the Highways Act 1959(a) and section 27 of the Local Government Act 1966(b) and now vested in him(c) and of all other enabling powers:—

1. The new highway which the Secretary of State proposes to construct along the route described in Schedule 1 to this Order shall become trunk road as from the date when this Order comes into operation.

2. The Secretary of State directs that any part of a highway maintainable at the public expense by a local highway authority, being a part which crosses the route of the new trunk road, shall be maintained by that authority until a date to be specified in a notice given by the Secretary of State to that authority. The date specified will not be later than the date on which the relevant route is opened for through traffic.

3. The existing highway along the route described in Schedule 2 to this Order shall become trunk road as from the date when this Order comes into operation.

4. Each of the lengths of trunk road described in Schedule 3 to this Order shall cease to be trunk road and shall be classified as a classified road as from the 1st April next after the date on which the Secretary of State notifies the County Council of Gloucester and the Council of the City and County Borough of Gloucester that the new trunk road is open for through traffic.

5. In this Order:—

"classified road"	as a classification for a highway, means that the highway is not a principal road for the purposes of advances under section 235 of the Highways Act 1959 but is a classified road for the purposes of every enactment or instrument which refers to highways classified by the Secretary of State;
"the deposited plan"	means the plan numbered HA7/2-SM31, marked "The Exeter—Leeds Trunk Road (Southern Connection from Gloucester to M5)

(a) 1959 c. 25. (b) 1966 c. 42. (c) S.I. 1970/1681 (1970 III, p. 5551).

Order 1973", signed by authority of the Secretary of State and deposited at the Department of the Environment, St. Christopher House, Southwark Street, London, S.E.1, where it may be inspected free of charge at all reasonable hours;

"the new trunk road" means the highway mentioned in Article 1 of this Order;

"the Trunk Road" means the Exeter—Leeds Trunk Road (A38).

6. This Order shall come into operation on 2nd February 1973 and may be cited as the Exeter—Leeds Trunk Road (Southern Connection from Gloucester to M5) Order 1973.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State 1973.

T. D. Wilson,
A Deputy Chief Engineer in the Department of the Environment.

8th January 1973.

SCHEDULE 1

Route of the new trunk road

The route of the new trunk road is shown by a solid black band on the deposited plan and is a route starting at a point on Greenhill Drive at Quedgeley about 120 metres south of its junction with Cole Avenue roundabout then going in a general south-westerly direction for about 3.37 kilometres to join the Trunk Road at Hardwicke at a point about 145 metres north of its junction with the road to Stroud (A419).

SCHEDULE 2

Existing highway to become trunk road

The existing highway to become trunk road is shown by narrow striped hatching on the deposited plan and is that length of Greenhill Drive at Quedgeley which extends from its junction with Cole Avenue roundabout southwards for about 120 metres.

SCHEDULE 3

Lengths of trunk road ceasing to be trunk road

The lengths of trunk road ceasing to be trunk road are shown by broad striped hatching on the deposited plan and are those lengths of the Trunk Road which extend from its junctions with Bristol Road and Cole Avenue, but excluding the Cole Avenue roundabout at Quedgeley, in a general south-westerly direction for about 3.5 kilometres to a point about 145 metres north of its junction with the road to Stroud (A419) at Hardwicke, but excluding that length of the Trunk Road which is crossed by the new trunk road on the route described in Schedule 1 above.

Note: 1 kilometre = 0.621 miles approximately.
1 metre = 1.094 yards approximately.

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