STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1973 No. 251

HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Winchester—Preston Trunk Road (Newbury to M4 Motorway) Order 1973

Made - - - 15*th February* 1973

Coming into Operation 16*th March* 1973

The Secretary of State for the Environment makes this Order in exercise of his powers under 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 highways which the Secretary of State proposes to construct along the routes described in Schedule 1 to this Order shall become trunk roads 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 any of the new trunk roads, 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 lengths of trunk road described in Schedule 2 to this Order shall cease to be trunk roads and the length described in paragraph 1 thereof shall be classified as a classified road as from the 1st April next after the date on which the Secretary of State notifies the Council of the Royal County of Berkshire that the new trunk roads are open for through traffic.

4. 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 HA 7/2—SE47 marked "The Winchester—Preston Trunk Road (Newbury to M4 Motorway) Order 1973", signed by authority of the Secretary of State and deposited at the Department of the Environment, St. Christopher House, Southwark Street, London, SE1 OTE, where it is open to inspection free of charge at all reasonable hours;

"the new trunk roads" means the highways mentioned in Article 1 of this Order;

"the Trunk Road" means the Winchester—Preston Trunk Road (A34).

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

5. This Order shall come into operation on 16th March 1973 and may be cited as the Winchester—Preston Trunk Road (Newbury to M4 Motorway) Order 1973.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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

15th February 1973.

SCHEDULE 1

Routes of the new trunk roads

The routes of the new trunk roads are shown by solid black bands on the deposited plan and are routes:—

(1) starting at a point on the London—Bristol Trunk Road (A4) about 235 metres north-west of the centre of its eastern junction with the Trunk Road, known as London Road Roundabout, then going generally northwards for about 3·08 kilometres to join the route of the Trunk Road at a point about 250 metres south-west of its junction with the road to Snelsmore East Common;

(2) starting at a point on the Trunk Road about 15 metres south of its junction with the road to Snelsmore Common then going north-eastwards for about 450 metres to rejoin the Trunk Road at a point about 465 metres north-east of that junction;

(3) starting at a point on the Trunk Road about 530 metres north-east of its junction with the road to Snelsmore Common than going north-eastwards for about 300 metres to rejoin the Trunk Road at a point about 830 metres north-east of that junction.

SCHEDULE 2

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:—

(1) that length starting at its western junction with the London—Bristol Trunk Road (A4), known as Oxford Road Roundabout, then going generally northwards for about 3·28 kilometres to a point about 250 metres south-west of its junction with the road to Snelsmore East Common;

(2) those lengths of the Trunk Road which are situated between the starting and termination points of the routes of the new trunk roads described in paragraphs (2) and (3) of the Schedule 1 above.

Note

1 metre = 1.094 yards approximately

1 kilometre = 0.621 miles approximately

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