

And notice is hereby further given that any person interested may attend at such Inquiry and be heard with reference to the said application.

I. G. Gibbon,

Assistant Secretary.

Ministry of Health.

4th December, 1924.

HIGHWAY, ENGLAND.

ORDER, DATED 27TH NOVEMBER, 1924, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT UNDER SECTION 7 (4) OF THE ROADS ACT, 1920 (10 & 11 GEO. 5. C. 72), PROHIBITING THE DRIVING OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF MECHANICALLY-PROPELLED VEHICLES ON VARIOUS HIGHWAYS OR PORTIONS OF HIGHWAYS SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET.

Whereas by sub-section (4) of Section 7 of the Roads Act, 1920 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1920"), it is enacted that the Minister of Transport (hereinafter referred to as "the Minister") may, by order on the application of any county council (as defined in Section 17 of the Act of 1920) after holding a public inquiry, prohibit or restrict, subject to such exceptions or conditions as to occasional user or otherwise as may be specified in the Order, the driving of mechanically-propelled vehicles of any specified class on any specified highway within the area of the council in any case in which it appears to him, as the result of the inquiry, to be proved that a vehicle of that class cannot be used on that highway without endangering the safety of the vehicle or the persons therein or of other traffic using the highway, or that the highway is unsuitable for use by a vehicle of that class;

And whereas the County Council of Somerset made application to the Minister for an Order to be made in pursuance of the said sub-section;

And whereas the Minister caused a public inquiry to be held into the application, and it appears to him, as a result of that inquiry, that the highways or portions of highways hereinafter specified are unsuitable for use by certain classes of mechanically-propelled vehicles:

Now, therefore, by virtue and in exercise of the powers given to him by sub-section (4) of Section 7 of the Act of 1920, and of any other powers enabling him in that behalf, the Minister hereby orders as follows:—

(a) During the period of five years from the date on which this Order comes into force, no person shall drive or cause to be driven on the highway specified in the First Schedule hereto any locomotive, any heavy motor car (as defined by Article II of the Heavy Motor Car Order, 1904), or any motor car with seats for more than fourteen persons exclusive of the driver;

(b) During the period of five years from the date on which this Order comes into force, no person shall drive or cause to be driven on the highways or portions of highways specified in the Second Schedule hereto any mechanically-propelled vehicle which has an unladen weight exceeding three tons or which has seats for more than twenty persons exclusive of the driver;

(c) Nothing in this Order contained shall prevent the driving on the highways or portions of highways specified in the Schedules hereto (hereinafter referred to as "the said roads") of—

(i) Any vehicle which is being used for the purposes of agriculture in connection with land adjoining or lying near to the said roads or for the conveyance or haulage of timber felled upon such land;

(ii) Any vehicle which is being used for the conveyance of goods or merchandise to or from any house, building or other premises situate on or adjacent to the said roads; or

(iii) Any vehicle which is being used in connection with the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of the said roads or the laying, alteration or repair in or near to the said roads of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity;

(d) The Authority responsible for the maintenance of each of the highways or portions of highways to which this Order relates shall on or before the day on which this Order comes into force give notice in accordance with the Road vehicles Registration and Licensing) Regulations, 1921, of the fact that this Order has been made and shall also cause to be erected in suitable places and maintained during the continuance of this Order warning boards in the forms approved by the Minister; and

(e) This Order shall come into force on the twentieth day of December, 1924.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport this twenty-seventh day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four.

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H. H. Piggott,

Assistant Secretary,
Ministry of Transport.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Rural Districts of Clutton and Keynsham.

Road from the Chew Magna—Pulrow road north of Stanton Drew via Norton Malreward to its junction with the Bristol—Pensford—Wells road south of Whitchurch.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Urban District of Street and Rural Districts of Wells and Langport.

Road from the Glastonbury—Compton—Somerton road near Millfield via Butleigh and Butleigh Cross to its junction with the Keinton Mandeville—Kingweston—Butleigh Wood—Ashcott road about 700 yards west of Kingweston House.

Rural District of Langport.

Road from the Keinton Mandeville—Kingweston—Somerton road at Christian's Cross near Kingweston via Charlton Mackrell to its junction with the Langport—Wincanton road about 400 yards west of the junction of that road with the Fosse Way.