

2. Sex.

Both men and women are eligible, but women will not ordinarily be appointed to posts in the Admiralty or War Office or to the Immigration Service of the Home Office.

3. Service.

Candidates must on 1st August of the year in which the competition is held to be serving either

(a) in an established situation in the General Clerical Class or in the Departmental Clerical Classes of the Customs and Excise Department and the Valuation Office of the Board of Inland Revenue with a certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners; or

(b) on the established conditions of the General Clerical Class or of the Departmental Clerical Classes of the Customs and Excise Department and the Valuation Office of the Board of Inland Revenue except for pension, pending the issue of the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners, and have been notified by the Commissioners by that date that a decision as to physical eligibility has been deferred; or

(c) (if on medical grounds they were not accepted for fully established appointment), on the established conditions of the General Clerical Class or of the Departmental Clerical Classes of the Customs and Excise Department and the Valuation Office of the Board of Inland Revenue except for sick leave and pension; or

(d) in clerical posts in the Metropolitan Police Commissioner's Office, the Office of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, the Office of the Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations, the Foreign Compensation Commission, the Forestry Commission, the Nature Conservancy, or Trinity House, having been appointed to a post in one of those Departments after success in an examination for similar posts held by the Civil Service Commissioners.

Members of the General Clerical Class who have been accepted for transfer to Branch B of the Foreign Service are not eligible.

4. Number of Attempts.

No candidate may compete in more than three Limited Competitions for the Executive Classes, excluding any candidature in the Reconstruction Limited Competition.

5. Health and Character.

Successful candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners as to their health and character.

6. Examination.

The written examination will consist of papers in English and Arithmetic, a General Paper, and a test of General Intelligence.

Of the candidate who obtain the highest marks in the written examination a certain number, to be fixed by the Commissioners, will be invited to interview, at which the Interviewing Board will award each candidate a mark for his or her record and personal qualities. The Department of each candidate invited to interview will be asked to supply a confidential report and this will be taken into account by the Interviewing Board.

The final order of merit will be determined by combining the marks for written examination and interview.

Even if there are unfilled vacancies no candidate will be appointed who does not reach a standard which satisfies the Civil Service Commissioners.

7. Assignment.

The Commissioners will decide to which Department each successful candidate is to be assigned. A candidate who declines to accept the post offered will have no claim to be assigned to another, but will be regarded as having declined appointment. Assignments will be made in accordance with the needs of the public service, but regard will be paid, so far as vacancies permit, to the previous Departmental experience of the candidates and to the wishes of Departments for the assignment of particular candidates who have served under them, and the wishes of candidates will, where possible, be taken into account.

8. Fee.

An application fee of 15s. is payable by all candidates. This must be sent with the application form, and is not returnable in any circumstances. A further fee of £1 5s., being the balance of the prescribed fee of £2, must be paid by each candidate on admission to the examination.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that a Competition will be held under the above Regulations, the written examination commencing on 9th August, 1956.

No person will be admitted to the Competition from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before 7th June, 1956, an application on the prescribed form which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

USE OF LAND AREA BY THE AIR MINISTRY.

PUBLIC LOCAL INQUIRY.

Sparsholt Firs (Wantage).

The Minister of Housing and Local Government has instructed C. D. Buchanan, Esq., A.M.I.C.E., A.R.I.B.A., M.T.P.I., to hold a Public Local Inquiry for the purpose of hearing representations as to the effect on the public interest of the proposal of the Air Ministry to establish a radio station on the site shown on the map, of which copies have been deposited for public inspection at the offices of the Berkshire County Council at Reading, the Wantage Urban District Council at Wantage, and the Wantage Rural District Council at Wantage. A statement of the use to which the Air Ministry propose to put the area, and a copy of Command Paper 7278 ("Needs of the Armed Forces for Training and Other Purposes," Part IX of which deals with the procedure for examining such proposals) have also been deposited for public inspection at the offices of the above-mentioned local authorities. Mr. Buchanan will accordingly attend at the Council Chamber, Belmont, Wantage, at 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday the 30th May, 1956.

Any person desirous of making such representations is requested to notify the Minister of Housing and Local Government, Whitehall, S.W.1, as soon as possible, and in any case not later than the 19th May, of his wish to do so, and of the general nature of the representations he desires to make.

A. MacC. Armstrong, Assistant Secretary,
Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

28th April, 1956.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation hereby gives notice that he proposes to make an Order under s. 49 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, authorising the stopping up of a length of footpath at Allerton Road, Bradford.

Copies of the draft Order and relevant plan may be inspected in Room 255, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, 21-37, Hereford Road, London, W.2, and at the Bradford C. and C.B.C. Offices, Town Clerk's Office, Bradford 1, at all reasonable hours during three months from the date of publication of this notice.

During three months from the 8th May, 1956, any person may by notice to the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, 21-37, Hereford Road, London, W.2, object to the making of the Order quoting HG 23/144/015.

N. Procter-Gregg.

An Assistant Secretary of the Ministry of
Transport and Civil Aviation.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation hereby gives notice that he has made an Order under s. 49 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, entitled "The Stopping up of Highways (Staffordshire) (No. 2) Order, 1956" authorising the stopping up of a footpath at Cemetery Road, Knutton, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire.

Copies of the Order may be obtained from H.M. Stationery Office, York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 39, King Street, Manchester 2, or through any bookseller, price 2d. Copies may be inspected in Room 255, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, 21-37, Hereford Road, London, W.2, and at the Newcastle-under-Lyme B.C. Offices, Newcastle-under-Lyme, at all reasonable hours.