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HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

The A40/A449 Trunk Road (Coldra-Monmouth, Newport and Monmouthshire) (Temporary Traffic Restrictions) Order 1996

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State for Wales intends, in not less than 21 days from the date of this notice, to make an Order under section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The proposed Order is required to enable carriageway renewal works to be undertaken on the A40/A449 Newport-Worcester Trunk Road (hereinafter referred to as "the trunk road"). The effect of the proposed Order will be to temporarily:

- (i) prohibit any motor vehicle from proceeding in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1 of this notice. The northbound and southbound carriageways will be closed alternatively and contraflow will operate in the offside lane of whichever carriageway remains open to traffic;
- (ii) prohibit pedal cycles from proceeding in the above length of the trunk road and the length of the slip road specified in Schedule 2 of this notice. The alternative route for northbound cyclists will be to join the A48 at Coldra, proceed northward via the unclassified road through Cats Ash and continue via the R110, R113, C2142, C2141, B4235, R73, R72, C414, C426, R71, R70, R46, R45, B4233, B4293 and A466 through Llantrisant, Llanllowell, Llangeview, Maerdy, Raglan and Monmouth to rejoin the trunk road at Dixton Roundabout Monmouth. The alternative route for southbound cyclists will be vice versa. The alternative route for cyclists affected by the slip road closure will be to continue via the R46 and the route described above.
- (iii) impose a 50 m.p.h. speed limit in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1 of this notice.

These restrictions will operate from 27th November 1996, until the works, which are expected to take 20 months, are completed. As the works are to be undertaken in phases, the extent of the restrictions will vary as necessary and will be signed accordingly.

R. D. Chaffey, Roads Administration Division

SCHEDULE 1

That length of the trunk road which extends from its junction with the Coldra Roundabout (A48) in a general northerly direction to a point 100 metres north of the northern portal of the Gibraltar Tunnels.

SCHEDULE 2

The southbound entry slip road of the trunk road at Mitchel Troy which extends from its junction with the unclassified county road (R46) to its junction with the main southbound carriageway of the trunk road. (492)

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

The Secretary of State for Transport hereby gives notice that he has made an Order under section 247 of the above Act entitled "The Stopping-up of Highways (County of Durham) (No. 11) Order 1996", authorising the stopping-up of part of Cumbria Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, to enable the development described in the Schedule to this notice to be carried out in accordance with planning permission granted to Browne, Smith, Baker & Partners, acting as agents for Anchor Housing Association, by Wear Valley District Council, on 19th June 1996, under Ref. 3/96/197.

Copies of the Order may be obtained, free of charge, on application to the Director of Planning, Environment and Transport, Government Office for the North East, Wellbar House, Gallowgate, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4TD (quoting Ref. DN5053/35/1/301), and may be inspected at all reasonable hours at the offices of the Planning Department, Wear Valley District Council, Civic Centre, Crook, County Durham DL15 9ES.

Any person aggrieved by the Order and desiring to question the validity thereof, or of any provision contained therein, on the ground that it is not within the powers of the above Act or that any requirement of that Act or of any regulation made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Order, may, within 6 weeks of 5th November 1996, apply to the High Court for the suspension or quashing of the Order or of any provision contained therein.

A. Johnson, a Grade 7 Official in the Department of Transport.

SCHEDULE

Planning permission allows the demolition of existing store and chip shop and erection of five one-bedroomed flats. (783)