Cycle Tracks Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 38

2 Prohibition of driving or parking on cycle tracks

(1) Subject to the provisions of this section, any person who, without lawful authority, drives or parks a motor vehicle wholly or partly on a cycle track shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding the third level on the standard scale (within the meaning of section 37 of the Criminal Justice Act 1982).

(2) A person shall not be convicted of an offence under subsection (1) above with respect to a vehicle if he proves to the satisfaction of the court—

(a) that the vehicle was driven or (as the case may be) parked in contravention of that subsection for the purpose of saving life, or extinguishing fire or meeting any other like emergency ; or

(b) that the vehicle was owned or operated by a highway authority or by a person discharging functions on behalf of a highway authority and was driven or (as the case may be) parked in contravention of that subsection in connection with the carrying out by or on behalf of that authority of any of the following, namely the cleansing, maintenance or improvement of the cycle track or its verges, or the maintenance or alteration of any structure or other work situated therein; or

(c) that the vehicle was owned or operated by statutory undertakers and was driven or (as the case may be) parked in contravention of that subsection in connection with the carrying out by those undertakers of any works in relation to any apparatus belonging to or used by them for the purpose of their undertaking.

(3) In subsection (2)(c) above " statutory undertakers " means any body who are statutory undertakers within the meaning of the 1980 Act, any sewerage authority within the meaning of that Act or the operator of a telecommunications code system (as defined by paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 4 to the Telecommunications Act 1984), and in relation to any such sewerage authority " apparatus " includes sewers or sewerage disposal works.