



# Dartford-Thurrock Crossing Act 1988

## CHAPTER 20

### DARTFORD-THURROCK CROSSING ACT 1988

#### PART I

##### CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BRIDGE OVER RIVER THAMES

- 1 Construction of the scheduled works
- 2 Acquisition of land for the scheduled works and other authorised works
- 3 Supplementary provision as to authorised works

#### PART II

##### TRANSFER OF TUNNELS AND TUNNEL APPROACHES

*Status of tunnel highway and tunnel approaches, etc.*

- 4 Trunking of tunnel highway and tunnel approaches
- 5 Status of roads, etc., other than the tunnel highway

*Transfers consequential on section 4*

- 6 Transfer of tunnel crossing and tunnel approaches to Secretary of State
- 7 Transfer of toll undertaking to person appointed under section 11
- 8 Supplementary provisions and transfers of staff

*Financial provisions*

- 9 Termination of borrowings for tunnels, etc
- 10 Payment of transfer expenses

#### PART III

##### OPERATION OF THE CROSSING

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*Power to levy tolls and management and maintenance,  
etc., of the crossing and the approach roads*

- 11 Power to levy tolls for use of the crossing
- 12 Delegation of functions of Secretary of State in relation to the crossing and the approach roads
- 13 Leases of crossing land, etc.: application of landlord and tenant law
- 14 Termination of appointment under section 11 after the transfer date
- 15 Termination: supplementary provisions
- 16 Time limit for levy of tolls

*Tolls and their administration*

- 17 Classification of vehicles and level of tolls
- 18 Temporary suspension of tolls
- 19 Exemption from tolls
- 20 Composition agreements
- 21 List of tolls to be exhibited
- 22 Refusal to pay tolls

*Regulation of traffic using crossing or approach roads*

- 23 Restriction on use by certain classes of traffic
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- 25 Large vehicles and safety
- 26 Removal of stationary vehicles
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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 1 — The Scheduled Works

#### Part I — THE WORKS

#### Part II — SUPPLEMENTARY

#### *Limits of deviation*

- 1 In constructing the scheduled works the Secretary of State may,...

#### *Particulars of the bridge*

- 2 (1) The piers in the river Thames carrying the central...

### SCHEDULE 2 — Acquisition of Land

#### Part I — PURPOSES FOR WHICH CERTAIN LAND MAY BE ACQUIRED OR USED

#### Part II — SUPPLEMENTARY

#### *Period of notice*

- 1 Section 11(1) of the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965 (power to...

#### *Acquisition of rights*

- 2 (1) The Secretary of State may under section 2 of...

#### *Subsoil and under-surface*

- 3 (1) The Secretary of State may under section 2 of...

#### *Minerals*

- 4 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, Parts II and III...

#### *Private rights of way*

- 5 (1) All private rights of way over any land which...

#### *Provisions as to compensation*

- 6 Section 4 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (assessment...
- 7 Where land is or rights in or over land are...

### SCHEDULE 3 — Supplementary Provisions as to Authorised Works

#### *Temporary occupation of specified sites*

- 1 (1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph the Secretary...

#### *Stopping up of and interference with highways*

- 2 (1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, the Secretary...

#### *Temporary interference with highways*

- 3 (1) The Secretary of State may, for the purpose of...

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*Status of new highways*

- 4 On the date on which this Act is passed the...  
 5 (1) On the date certified by the Secretary of State...

*Application of highways legislation*

- 6 For the purposes of any enactment relating to highways and,...  
 7 (1) The carrying out of Works Nos. 1A, 2, 4,...  
 8 (1) The carrying out of any of the scheduled works...  
 9 Any provision of Schedule 1 to this Act or of...

*Road traffic regulation*

- 10 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, any power under the...  
 11 (1) In order to facilitate the reconstruction of the bridges...

SCHEDULE 4 — Transfer of Tunnels and Tunnel Approaches: Supplementary and Transitional Provisions

*Connected transfers and supplementary provisions*

- 1 Subject to paragraph 3 below, the Secretary of State and...  
 2 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) and paragraph 3 below, where...  
 3 Paragraphs 1(b) and 2(1)(b) above do not apply in relation...  
 4 Any property— (a) vested by virtue of section 6 of...  
 5 Any dispute as to the effect of any transfer under...  
 6 The Councils shall produce to the Secretary of State such...

*Transitional provisions*

- 7 All orders and regulations made and all directions, consents and...  
 8 Notwithstanding the repeal by this Act on the transfer date...  
 9 All contracts, deeds, bonds or agreements entered into or made...  
 10 All proceedings, legal or other, begun before the effective date...

SCHEDULE 5 — Transfers of Staff

Part I — STAFF EMPLOYED AT THE TUNNEL CROSSING BEFORE THE TRANSFER DATE

*Application of Employment Transfer Regulations*

- 1 (1) For the purposes of the Employment Transfer Regulations section...

*Provision with respect to pensions, etc.*

- 2 (1) The application to any relevant employee of Kent County...  
 Part II — STAFF EMPLOYED BY THE PERSON APPOINTED TO LEVY TOLLS

*Application of Employment Transfer Regulations*

- 3 (1) For the purposes of the Employment Transfer Regulations section...

*Preservation of pensions, etc.*

- 4 Regulation 7 of the Employment Transfer Regulations shall not apply  
 —...

- 5 (1) Without prejudice to the operation of those regulations by...  
Part III — SUPPLEMENTARY
- 6 (1) In this Schedule, “the Employment Transfer Regulations” means  
the...

SCHEDULE 6 — The Toll Period  
Part I — THE PERIOD ALLOWED FOR THE LEVY OF TOLLS BY THE  
PERSON APPOINTED

*The maximum toll period*

- 1 Subject to the following provisions of this Part of this...

*Early termination of the toll period*

- 2 (1) Where— (a) on any date (“the determination date”) before...  
3 (1) For the purposes of paragraph 2 above, the funding...

*Toll extension period*

- 4 (1) This paragraph applies where on any date on which...  
Part II — THE PERIOD ALLOWED FOR THE LEVY OF TOLLS BY THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*The original maximum toll period*

- 5 Subject to the following provisions of this Part of this...

*Relevant receipts and assumed interest receipts*

- 6 (1) In this Part and in Part III of this...

*Extension of the original maximum toll period*

- 7 (1) If at any time during the original maximum toll...

*Early termination of the relevant period*

- 8 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, if as respects any...

*References to interest*

- 9 (1) Any reference in paragraph 6(3) above or Part III...

*Assumptions as to application of relevant receipts and assumed interest receipts*

- 10 (1) For the purpose of determining any question arising under...  
Part III — PURPOSES RELEVANT TO PART II
- 11 Reimbursement with interest of all expenses properly chargeable to  
capital...
- 12 Reimbursement with interest of all expenses (not falling within  
paragraph...
- 13 Reimbursement with interest of all expenses properly chargeable to  
capital...
- 14 Meeting all expenses (including administrative expenses) which are  
properly chargeable...
- 15 Making such provision as in the opinion of the Secretary...

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 17 Meeting all expenses (not falling within paragraph 8(3) above or...  
 18 Provision for interest on any deficiency which may arise during...

#### SCHEDULE 7 — Protective Provisions

##### Part I — PROTECTION OF PORT AUTHORITY AND RIVER USERS

- 1 (1) The following provisions of this Part of this Schedule...  
 2 The Secretary of State shall not, under section 2 of...  
 3 (1) Not less than 56 days before commencing any operations...  
 4 (1) Operations for the construction of a tidal work, and...  
 5 The Secretary of State shall carry out all operations—  
 6 On the completion of the construction of the bridge, or...  
 7 (1) Except so far as may be necessary or unavoidable...  
 8 The Secretary of State shall at all reasonable times allow...  
 9 If any pile, stump or other obstruction becomes exposed in...  
 10 (1) The Secretary of State shall carry out to the...  
 11 (1) Before carrying out any of the works authorised by...  
 12 (1) If— (a) within the period beginning with the commencement...  
 13 (1) Except as provided in sub-paragraph (2) below, the Port...  
 14 (1) Without prejudice to the provisions of paragraph 15 below,...  
 15 (1) The Secretary of State shall, at or near every...  
 16 (1) If a tidal work is abandoned or falls into...  
 17 If— (a) by reason of the construction of the bridge...  
 18 Any difference arising between the Secretary of State and the...

##### Part II — PROTECTION AGAINST SILTATION OR SCOURING

- 1 (1) The following provisions of this Part of this Schedule...  
 2 If— (a) within the period beginning with the commencement of...  
 3 If, within a period specified in paragraph 2 above, any...  
 4 If, when requested by a protected body to carry out...  
 5 The Secretary of State shall pay to the protected body...  
 6 Any difference arising between the Secretary of State and a...

##### Part III — PROTECTION OF RAILWAYS BOARD

- 1 (1) The following provisions of this Part of this Schedule...  
 2 The Secretary of State shall not under section 2 of...  
 3 (1) Not less than 56 days before commencing the construction...  
 4 (1) On signifying their approval of the plans the Railways...  
 5 The Secretary of State shall give to the engineer of...  
 6 (1) The construction of the authorised works shall, when commenced,...  
 7 The Secretary of State shall at all times afford reasonable...  
 8 (1) If any alteration or addition, whether permanent or temporary,...  
 9 The Secretary of State shall pay to the Railways Board...  
 10 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, the Secretary of State...  
 11 If the Railways Board give notice to the Secretary of...  
 12 Any difference arising between the Secretary of State and the...

##### Part IV — PROTECTION OF SEWERS AND LAND DRAINAGE

- 1 (1) The following provisions of this Part of this Schedule...  
 2 For the purpose of the preparation of the plans for...  
 3 The carrying out of the works authorised by this Act...  
 4 In the design and carrying out of the works authorised...  
 5 (1) Not less than 56 days before commencing the construction...  
 6 The Secretary of State shall give to the protected authority...  
 7 In carrying out any specified work the Secretary of State...  
 8 All works for the provision of new, altered or substituted...

- 9 When works for the provision of any such new, altered...
- 10 If by reason of the carrying out of a specified...
- 11 (1) The Secretary of State shall indemnify the protected authority...
- 12 Nothing in section 23 of this Act shall preclude the...
- 13 (1) An officer of the protected authority duly appointed for...
- 14 Any difference arising between the Secretary of State and the...
  - 1 (1) The following provisions of this Part of this Schedule...
  - 2 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (3) below, the Secretary of State...
  - 3 Any difference arising between the Secretary of State and the...