

2014 No. 1837

HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND

**The A5 Trunk Road (A5 – M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass)
Order 2014**

Made - - - - *9th July 2014*

Coming into force - - *24th July 2014*

The Secretary of State for Transport makes this Order in exercise of powers conferred by sections 10 and 41 of the Highways Act 1980(a) and now vested in the Secretary of State(b) and(c):—

1. This Order may be cited as The A5 Trunk Road (A5 – M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 24 July 2014.

2. In this Order—

(1) all measurements of distance are measured along the route of the relevant highway; and

(2) —

(i) “the main new road” means the new highway which the Secretary of State proposes to construct along the route described in Schedule 1 to this Order;

(ii) “the new trunk roads” means the main new road and the slip roads;

(iii) “the plan” means the plan folio numbered HA 10/MP/107 “The A5 Trunk Road (A5 – M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass) Order 2014”, signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport and deposited at Document Deposit Service, Communities and Local Government, Floor 13 (IMD), Ashdown House, St Leonards on Sea, Hastings, East Sussex TN37 7GA; and

(iv) “the slip road” means the new highways which the Secretary of State proposes to construct along the routes described in Schedule 2 to this Order and which connect the main new road with other highways or proposed highways at the places stated in that Schedule.

3. The main new road and the slip road shall become trunk roads from the date when this Order comes into force.

4. The centre line of each of the trunk roads is indicated by a heavy black line on the plan.

5. The Secretary of State directs as respects any part of a highway which crosses the route of any of the new trunk roads that—

(a) where the highway is maintainable at the public expense by a local highway authority, the part in question shall be maintained by that authority, and

(a) 1980 c.66
(b) SI 1981/238
(c) SI 2002/2626

- (b) where the highway is not so maintainable and is not maintainable under a special enactment or by reason of tenure, enclosure or prescription, the Secretary of State shall be under no duty to maintain the part in question, until, in either case, a date to be specified in a notice given by the Secretary of State to the highway authority for that highway. The date specified will not be later than the date on which the relevant route is opened for traffic.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

9th July 2014

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SCHEDULE 1

Article 2(2)(i)

ROUTE OF THE NEW MAIN ROAD

The route of the main new road is about 5.2 kilometres in length, from a point on the plan marked A on the A5 Trunk Road, about 400 metres northwest of the centreline of its junction with Thorn Road at Houghton Regis in the County of Bedfordshire, easterly to a point on the plan marked B, about 250 metres southeast of the centreline of Sundon Road Railway Bridge at Chalton in the County of Bedfordshire.

SCHEDULE 2

Article 2(2)(iv)

ROUTES OF THE SLIP ROAD

The route of the slip road is as follows:

(1) Junction with existing A5(T) at Houghton Regis

A route from the south east bound carriageway of the existing A5(T) to the north east bound carriageway of the main new road which the Secretary of State proposes to construct at Houghton Regis (the slip road along this route being given the number 1 on the plan).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order authorises improvements to the existing A5 Trunk Road and the construction of new lengths of trunk road and slip roads, to provide a dual carriageway between the existing A5 Trunk Road north of Dunstable and the M1 Motorway to the south of Chalton.

The route of the main new road is about 5.2 kilometres in length, from a point on the plan marked A on the A5 Trunk Road, about 400 metres northwest of the centreline of its junction with Thorn Road at Houghton Regis in the County of Bedfordshire, easterly to a point on the plan marked B, about 250 metres southeast of the centreline of Sundon Road Railway Bridge at Chalton in the County of Bedfordshire.

The routes of the slip roads are as follows:

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