
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 2269

**The A556 (Knutsford to Bowdon Improvement)
Development Consent Order 2014**

PART 7

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

Traffic regulation

37.—(1) This article applies to roads in respect of which the Secretary of State is not the traffic authority.

(2) Subject to the provisions of this article, and the consent of the traffic authority in whose area the road concerned is situated, which consent must not be unreasonably withheld, the Secretary of State may, for the purposes of the authorised development—

- (a) revoke, amend or suspend in whole or in part any order made, or having effect as if made, under the 1984 Act;
- (b) permit, prohibit or restrict the stopping, waiting, loading or unloading of vehicles on any road;
- (c) authorise the use as a parking place of any road;
- (d) make provision as to the direction or priority of vehicular traffic on any road; and
- (e) permit or prohibit vehicular access to any road,

either at all times or at times, on days or during such periods as may be specified by the Secretary of State.

(3) Subject to paragraph (7), the power conferred by paragraph (2) cannot be exercised after the expiry of 12 months from the opening of the authorised development for public use, but any prohibition, restriction or other provision made under paragraph (2) may have effect both before and after the expiry of that period.

(4) The Secretary of State must consult the chief officer of police and the traffic authority in whose area the road is situated before complying with the provisions of paragraph (5).

(5) The Secretary of State must not exercise the powers conferred by paragraph (2) unless the Secretary of State has—

- (a) given not less than—
 - (i) 12 weeks' notice in writing of the Secretary of State's intention to do so in the case of a prohibition, restriction or other provision intended to have effect permanently; or
 - (ii) 4 weeks' notice in writing of the Secretary of State's intention to do so in the case of a prohibition, restriction or other provision intended to have effect temporarily,to the chief officer of police and to the traffic authority in whose area the road is situated; and

- (b) advertised the Secretary of State's intention in such manner as the traffic authority may specify in writing within 28 days of its receipt of notice of the Secretary of State's intention in the case of sub-paragraph (a)(i), or within 7 days of its receipt of notice of the Secretary of State's intention in the case of sub-paragraph (a)(ii).
- (6) Any prohibition, restriction or other provision made by the Secretary of State under paragraph (2)—
- (a) has effect as if duly made by, as the case may be—
- (i) the traffic authority in whose area the road is situated, as a traffic regulation order under the 1984 Act; or
- (ii) the local authority in whose area the road is situated, as an order under section 32 of the 1984 Act⁽¹⁾ (power of local authorities to provide parking places), and the instrument by which it is effected may specify savings and exemptions to which the prohibition, restriction or other provision is subject; and
- (b) is deemed to be a traffic order for the purposes of Schedule 7 to the Traffic Management Act 2004⁽²⁾ (road traffic contraventions subject to civil enforcement).
- (7) Any prohibition, restriction or other provision made under this article may be suspended, varied or revoked by the Secretary of State from time to time by subsequent exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph (2) within a period of 24 months from the opening of the authorised development.
- (8) Before exercising the powers conferred by paragraph (2) the Secretary of State must consult such persons as the Secretary of State considers necessary and appropriate and must take into consideration any representations made to the Secretary of State by any such person.
- (9) Expressions used in this article and in the 1984 Act have the same meaning in this article as in that Act.
- (10) The powers conferred on the Secretary of State by this article with respect to any road have effect subject to any agreement entered into by the Secretary of State with any person with an interest in (or who undertakes activities in relation to) premises served by the road.

(1) Section 32 was amended by section 102 of, and Schedule 17 to, the Local Government Act 1985 (c. 51) and section 168(1) of, and paragraph 39 of Schedule 8 to, the 1991 Act.

(2) 2004 c. 18.