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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1999 No.2720 (W.9)**

**HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Neath to Abergavenny Trunk Road (A465) (Abergavenny to Hirwaun Dualling and Slip Roads) and East of Abercynon to East of Dowlais Road (A4060), Cardiff to Glan Conwy Trunk Road (A470) (Connecting Roads) Order 1999**

*Made* - - - - - *21 September 1999*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *8 October 1999*

The National Assembly for Wales makes this Order in exercise of powers conferred by sections 10, 12, 41 and 106 of the Highways Act 1980<sup>(1)</sup>, and of all other enabling powers:

1. The new highways which the National Assembly proposes to construct —
  - (a) along the routes described in Schedule 1 to this Order (the highways along the routes being in this Order referred to as “the main new trunk road”); and
  - (b) along the routes described in Schedule 2 to this Order which connect the main new trunk road with other highways at the places stated in that Schedule (the highways along these routes being in the Order referred to as “the slip roads”); and
  - (c) along the routes described in Schedule 3 to this Order which connect the main new highway and the slip roads with other trunk roads stated in that Schedule (the highways along these routes being in the Order referred to as “the new connecting trunk roads”)

shall become trunk roads as from the date when this Order comes into force.

2. The centre lines of the new trunk roads are indicated by heavy black lines and the associated side roads proposals are indicated by broken white lines on the deposited plan.

3. The National Assembly 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 public expense by a local highway authority, the part in question shall be maintained by that authority; and
- (b) where the highway is not a highway so maintainable and is not maintainable under a special enactment or by reason of tenure, enclosure or prescription, the National Assembly 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 National Assembly 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 the purpose of through traffic.

4. The lengths of trunk road described in Schedule 4 to this Order and shown by broad striped hatching on the deposited plan shall cease to be trunk roads and shall be classified as shown in that Schedule as from the date on which the National Assembly notifies the County Councils of Rhondda Cynon Taff and Blaenau Gwent that the new trunk roads are open for through traffic.

5. The National Assembly is authorised to construct the bridge specified in Schedule 5 to this Order as part of the main new trunk road over the navigable watercourse specified in that Schedule.

6. In this Order:

- (1) All measurements of distance are measured along the route of the relevant highway;
- (i) “the deposited plan” means the plan numbered HA10/2 — WO131 marked “The Neath to Abergavenny Trunk Road (A465) (Abergavenny to Hirwaun Dualling and Slip Roads) and East of Abercynon to East of Dowlais Trunk Road (A4060), Cardiff to Glan Conwy Trunk Road (A470) (Connecting Roads) Order 1999” signed by authority of the National Assembly and deposited at the National Assembly for Wales Repository, Curran Embankment, Cardiff;
- (ii) “the main new trunk road” and “the slip roads” have the meanings given in article 1 of this Order all forming part of the Neath to Abergavenny Trunk Road (A465);
- (iii) “the new connecting trunk roads” means the connecting trunk roads mentioned in article 1 of this Order and “a new connecting trunk road” means one of those highways: The East of Abercynon to East of Dowlais Trunk Road (A4060); The Neath to Abergavenny Trunk Road (A465); and The Cardiff to Glan Conwy Trunk Road (A470);
- (iv) “the trunk roads” means the new highways mentioned in article 1 of this Order;
- (v) “classified road” as a classification for a highway, means that the highway is not a principal road for the purpose of enactments and instruments which refer to highway classified as principal roads and is also classified for the purpose of every other enactment and instrument which refers to highways classified by the National Assembly and which does not specifically refer to their classification as principal roads;
- (vi) “the trunk road” means the Neath to Abergavenny Trunk Road (A465).

7. This Order shall come into force on the 8th of October 1999 and may be cited as the Neath to Abergavenny Trunk Road (A465) (Abergavenny to Hirwaun Dualling and Slip Roads) and East of Abercynon to East of Dowlais Trunk Road (A4060), Cardiff to Glan Conwy Trunk Road (A470) (Connecting Roads) Order 1999.

Signed on behalf of the Assembly Secretary for Environment and Local Government

Dated the 21 September 1999

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## **SCHEDULE 1**

### **ROUTE OF THE MAIN NEW TRUNK ROAD**

The route of the main new trunk road is a route situated between Abergavenny and Hirwaun in the County and County Boroughs of Monmouthshire, Blaenau Gwent, Caerphilly, Merthyr Tydfil, and Rhondda Cynon Taff and is a route about 40.6 kilometres in length starting at a point on the Trunk Road (marked “A” on the deposited plan at key plan No. 1), some 40 metres west of the centrepoint of the Hardwick Roundabout at Abergavenny and going in a general south westerly direction to a point on the Trunk Road (marked “B” on the deposited plan at key plan No. 2), some 800 metres north west of the centrepoint of the Rhigos Roundabout at Hirwaun Ponds.

## **SCHEDULE 2**

### **ROUTES OF THE SLIP ROADS**

The routes of the slip roads are the following:

1. Grade separated junction with the realigned Merthyr Road (B4246). (Site Plan No.1).

Two routes to connect the westbound carriageway of the main new trunk road with a roundabout to be constructed as part of the highway east of the Council Depot at Llanfoist (the new trunk roads along these routes being respectively given the reference numbers 1 and 2 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 1).

2. Two routes to connect the eastbound carriageway of the main new trunk road with the A4143 south east of the cemetery at Llanfoist (the new trunk roads along this route being given the numbers 3 and 4 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 1).

3. Grade separated junction with the realigned B4246 and Abergavenny Road (A4077). (Site Plan No. 2).

Four routes to connect the eastbound and the westbound carriageways of the main new trunk road with two roundabouts to be constructed as part of the highway to be provided for in associated side roads Orders, west of Glanbaiden Farm north west of King George’s Field, Govilon and southeast of Cross Roads, Gilwern (the new trunk roads along these routes being respectively given the reference numbers 5, 6, 7 and 8 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 2).

4. A route some 0.1 kilometres in length starting at a point on the northern side of Station Road, Clydach 350 metres south east of its junction with the existing trunk road and running in a generally north westerly direction to meet the westbound carriageway of the main new trunk road west of Saleyard (the new trunk road along this route being given the number 9 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 2).

5. A route some 0.1 kilometres in length starting at a point on the southern side of Main Road, Saleyard 220 metres north east of its junction with Church Road and running in a generally south easterly direction to meet the eastbound carriageway of the main new trunk road west of Saleyard (the new trunk road along this route being given the number 10 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 2).

6. Grade separated junction with the existing Brynmawr roundabout. (Site Plan No. 3).

Four routes to connect the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the main new trunk road with the existing roundabout at Brynmawr southwest of the Anacomp factory and south and west of Brynmawr School (the new trunk roads along these routes respectively being given the numbers 11,12,13 and 14 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 3).

7. A route some 0.6 kilometres in length starting at a point on the northern side of the trunk road 300 metres west of the agricultural underpass at Waun Rydd and running in a generally north easterly then easterly direction to meet the eastbound carriageway of the main new trunk road east of the agricultural underpass at Waun Rydd, Garn Lydan (the new trunk road along this route being given the number 15 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 4).

8. A route some 0.6 kilometres in length starting at a point 300 metres west of the agricultural underpass at Waun Rydd and running in a generally north easterly direction to meet the westbound carriageway of the main new trunk road east of the agricultural underpass at Waun Rydd (the new trunk road along this route being given the number 16 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 4).

9. Grade separated junction with the realigned Rassau Industrial Estate road to the east of Rassau Industrial Estate.(Site Plan No. 5).

Two routes to connect the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the main new trunk road with two roundabouts to be constructed as part of the highway to be provided for in associated side roads Orders, north east of Herrington Farm, Rassau (the new trunk roads along these routes being respectively given the reference numbers 17 and 18 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 5).

10. A route some 0.6 kilometres in length starting at a point on the western side of the existing roundabout west of Nant-y-Croft and running in a generally south westerly direction to meet the westbound carriageway of the main new trunk road west of the property known as Hirgan (the new trunk road along this route being given the number 19 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 5).

11. Grade separated junction with the realigned Rassau Industrial Estate road to the west of the Rassau Industrial Estate. (Site Plan No. 5).One route to connect the eastbound carriageway of the main new trunk road with a roundabout to be constructed as part of the highway to be provided for in associated side roads Orders, north west of Nant-y-Croft, Rassau (the new trunk road along this route being given the reference number 20 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 5).

12. Grade separated junction with the unclassified road leading northwards and the A4048 leading southwards from the existing Nant-y-Bwch roundabout. (Site Plan Nos.5 and 6).

Four routes to connect the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the main new trunk road with a roundabout to be constructed as part of the highway to be provided for in associated side roads Orders, in the vicinity of the existing Nant-y-Bwch roundabout (the new trunk roads along these routes being respectively given the reference numbers 21 and 22 on the deposited plan at site plan 5 and 23 and 24 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 6).

13. Grade separated junction with the A469 leading to Rhymney. (Site Plan No. 6).

Four routes to connect the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the main new trunk road with two roundabouts to be constructed as part of the highway to be provided for in associated side roads Orders (the new trunk roads along the routes being respectively given the reference numbers 25, 26, 27 and 28 on the deposited plan at site No. 6).

14. A route some 1.0 kilometres in length starting at a point on the south eastern side of the roundabout to be constructed as part of the main new trunk road at Dowlais Top (described in Schedule 3) and running in a generally south easterly direction including the new roundabout which joins the new trunk road (A4060) at a point approximately 320 metres north east of the junction of the A4060 and Blaen Dowlais Street (marked D on the deposited plan at site plan No. 7) and then at a point on the eastern side of the new roundabout running in a generally north easterly direction to meet the westbound carriageway of the main new trunk road east of Roadside Pond Reservoir, (the new trunk road along this route being given the number 29 on the deposited plan at site plan No.7).

15. Grade separated junction with the unclassified road leading northwards to Merthyr Common. (Site Plan No. 7).

Three routes to connect the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the main new trunk road with a roundabout to be constructed as part of the main new trunk road (described in Schedule 3) which connects High Street and the unclassified road leading northwards to the retail park at Dowlais Top and onwards to Merthyr Common (the new trunk roads along these routes being respectively given the reference numbers 30, 31 and 32 on the deposited plan to site plan No. 7).

16. A route some 0.3 kilometres in length starting at a point on the eastern side of Rocky Road 170 metres east of the new grade separated junction to be provided for in associated side roads Orders at Galon Uchaf, south of the trunk road and running in a generally easterly direction to meet the westbound carriageway of the main new trunk road south of the Pant Industrial Estate (the new trunk road along this route being given the number 33 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 8).

17. A route to connect the eastbound carriageway of the main new trunk road with a roundabout to be constructed as part of the highway to be provided for in associated side roads Orders, south of Pant Industrial Estate (the new trunk road along this route being given the reference number 34 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 8).

18. Grade separated junction with the unclassified road leading south to the Gurnos Estate and the private access road to Gurnos Farm. (Site Plan No.8). Two routes to connect the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the main new trunk road with two roundabouts to be constructed as part of the highway to be provided for in associated side roads Orders, north of the Gurnos Estate and east of Taf Fechan (the new trunk roads along these routes being respectively given the numbers 35 and 36 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 8).

19. Grade separated junction with the Cardiff to Glan Conwy Trunk Road (A470) leading northwards to Brecon and southwards to Gellideg. (Site Plan No. 9). Four routes to connect the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the main new trunk road with a dumb-bell shaped roundabout to be constructed as part of the Cardiff to Glan Conwy Trunk Road (A470) (described in Schedule 3) to this Order at Cefn-Coed-y-Cymmer (the new trunk roads along these routes being respectively given the numbers 37, 38, 39 and 40 on the deposited plan at site plan No. 9).

20. Grade separated junction at Baverstock. (Site Plan No. 10). Four routes to connect the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the main new trunk road with two roundabouts to be constructed as part of the highway to be provided for in associated side roads Orders, at Baverstock south west of the Baverstock Hotel and north east of Llwydcoed Crematorium (the new trunk roads along these routes being given the numbers 41, 42, 43 and 44 on the deposited plan at site plan No.10).

21. Grade separated junction at Hirwaun Ponds. (Site Plan No. 11).

Four routes to connect the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the main new trunk road with a roundabout to be constructed as part of the highway to be provided for in associated side roads Orders, in the vicinity of the existing roundabout at Hirwaun Ponds (the new trunk roads along these routes being given the numbers 45, 46, 47 and 48 on the deposited plan at site plan 11).

### **SCHEDULE 3**

#### **ROUTE OF THE NEW CONNECTING TRUNK ROADS**

The route of the new East of Abercynon to East of Dowlais Trunk Road (A4060) is a route about 700 metres in length starting at a point some 45 metres north west of a point on the centreline of the existing trunk road (A4060) about 390 metres south west of the south eastern limit of Blaen Dowlais Street (marked C on the deposited plan at site plan No.7) running in a generally north easterly direction to a point some 320 metres north east of the southeastern limit of Blaen Dowlais

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Street (marked D on the deposited plan at site plan No.7) where it meets the new A465 slip road roundabout.

The route of the new Cardiff to Glan Conwy Trunk Road (A470) is a route about 460 metres in length forming a dumb-bell shaped grade separated junction centred on a point some 520 metres east of the property known as Ffrwd-ganol-fawr (marked F on the deposited plan at site plan No. 9).

The route of the new Neath to Abergavenny Trunk Road (A465) comprising a grade separated roundabout about 400 metres in length, centred on a point about 500 metres east of the south eastern edge of the Lower Reservoir, Dowlais Top (this route being given the reference letter E on the deposited plan at site plan No. 7) to connect with the slip roads.

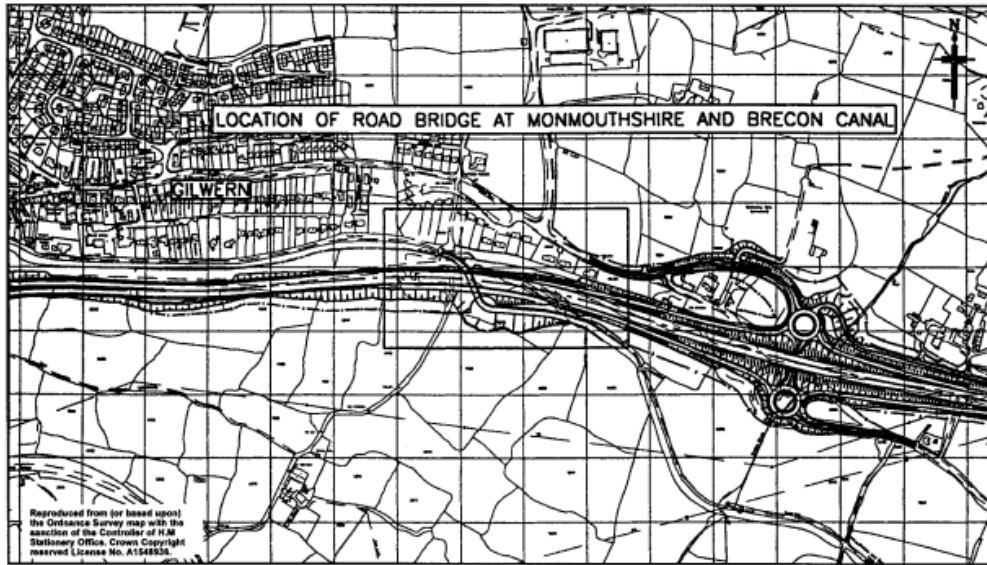
#### SCHEDULE 4

LENGTHS OF TRUNK ROAD CEASING TO BE TRUNK ROAD	CLASSIFICATION
(i) that length starting at a point approximately 300 metres south west of the agricultural underpass at Waun Rydd, Garn Lydan (marked as AA on the deposited plan at site plan No. 4) extending in general south westerly direction for a distance of approximately 4.3 kilometres and including both the Rassau and Ebbw Vale roundabouts to a point 660 metres south west of the centrepoint of the Rassau roundabout (marked BB on the deposited plan at site plan No. 5)	classified
(ii) that length starting at a point approximately 140 metres west of the centrepoint of the existing roundabout at Trewaun (marked CC on the deposited plan at site plan No. 11) extending in general north westerly direction for a distance of approximately 1.1 kilometres to points where the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the trunk road connect with the south and east of the Rhigos roundabout at Hirwaun Ponds (marked DD and EE respectively on the deposited plan at site plan No. 11)	Classified

## SCHEDULE 5

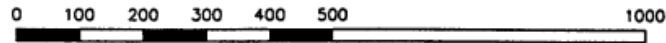
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#### LOCATION OF ROAD AT MONMOUTHSHIRE AND BRECON CANAL



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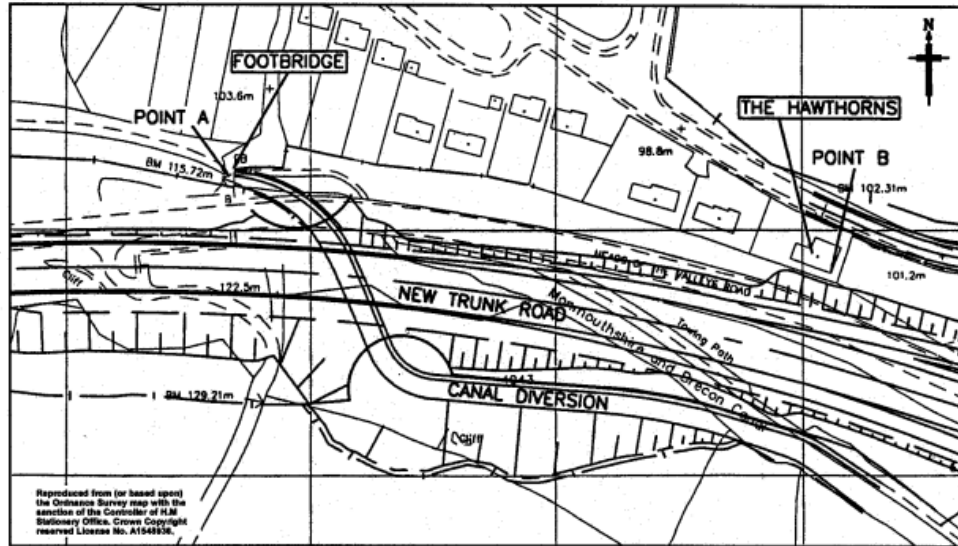
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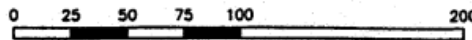
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LAYOUT PLAN OF MONMOUTHSHIRE AND BRECON CANAL CROSSING



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AND BRECON CANAL CROSSING**



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**SPECIFICATION**

**Points of Commencement and Termination on Layout Plan**

From a point approximately 1 metre east of Point A, the centre of the footbridge and approximately 244 metres north west of Point B, the south east corner of the property known as the Hawthorns to a point approximately 290 metres south east of said point A and approximately 94 metres south of said point B.

**Span**

9.5 metres clear square opening

**Waterway**

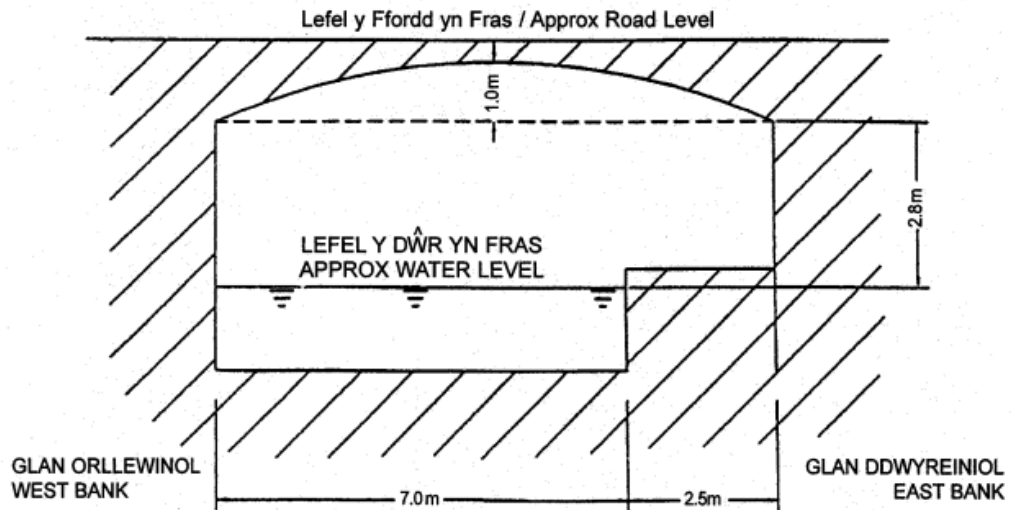
7.0 metres clear opening

**Headway**

Minimum clearance approximately 2.8 metres above water level

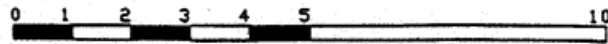


### ROAD LEVEL REQUIREMENTS AT MONMOUTHSHIRE AND BRECON CANAL



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