



New Roads and Street Works Act 1991

1991 CHAPTER 22

PART III

STREET WORKS IN ENGLAND AND WALES

Streets subject to special controls

63 Streets with special engineering difficulties.

- (1) The provisions of Schedule 4 have effect for requiring the settlement of a plan and section of street works to be executed in a street designated by the street authority as having special engineering difficulties.
- (2) The Secretary of State may prescribe—
 - (a) the criteria for designating a street as having special engineering difficulties,
 - (b) the procedure for making or withdrawing such a designation, and
 - (c) the information to be made available by a street authority as to the streets for the time being so designated by them.
- (3) Where [^{F1}a strategic highways company or] a local highway authority are asked to designate a street as having special engineering difficulties—
 - (a) by a transport authority on the ground of the proximity of the street to a structure belonging to, or under the management or control of, the authority, or
 - (b) by an undertaker having apparatus in the street,and decline to do so, the transport authority or undertaker may appeal to the Secretary of State who may direct that the street be designated.
- (4) The designation of a street as having special engineering difficulties shall not be withdrawn except after consultation with any transport authority or undertaker at whose request the designation was made; and a designation made in pursuance of a direction by the Secretary of State shall not be withdrawn except with his consent.

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- [^{F2}(5) In addition to criteria for designation prescribed under subsection (2)(a), Schedule 3 to the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 requires designation in certain circumstances (relating to sustainable drainage systems).]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in [s. 63\(3\)](#) inserted (5.3.2015) by [Infrastructure Act 2015 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 57(1), **Sch. 1 para. 118**; S.I. 2015/481, reg. 2(a)
- F2** [S. 63\(5\)](#) inserted (2.5.2018 for W. for specified purposes, 7.1.2019 for W. in so far as not already in force) by [Flood and Water Management Act 2010 \(c. 29\)](#), s. 49(3), **Sch. 3 para. 27** (with [s. 49\(1\)\(6\)](#); S.I. 2018/557, arts. 2(b), 3(b))

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 3 applied (11.1.2006) by [The Cambridgeshire Guided Busway Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/3523\)](#), arts. 1, **3(1)** (with art. 52)
- C2** Pt. 3 modified (22.7.2008) by [Crossrail Act 2008 \(c. 18\)](#), **Sch. 3 para. 8**
- C3** Pt. 3 excluded (22.7.2008) by [Crossrail Act 2008 \(c. 18\)](#), **Sch. 17 para. 1(3)**
- C4** Pt. 3 applied (with modifications) (9.4.2013) by [The Hinkley Point C \(Nuclear Generating Station\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/648\)](#), arts. 1, **9** (with arts. 48, 68, 79)
- C5** Pt. 3 restricted (6.8.2014) by [The Rampion Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1873\)](#), art. 1, **Sch. 12 Pt. 2 para. 3** (with arts. 12, 13, Sch. 12 Pt. 1 paras. 6(3), 19, Pt. 2 paras. 3, 6, 13, Pt. 3 para. 5, Pt. 4 para. 4, Pt. 5 para. 4)
- C6** Pt. 3 modified (24.9.2014) by [The Thames Water Utilities Limited \(Thames Tideway Tunnel\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2384\)](#), arts. 1, **10(5)**, 11(4)
- C7** Pt. 3 applied (with modifications) (2.8.2016) by [The Midland Metro \(Wolverhampton City Centre Extension\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/684\)](#), arts. 1, **5(1)(2)** (with arts. 46, 47, Sch. 8 para. 2(7), Sch. 9 para. 4, Sch. 10 para. 12(2))
- C8** Pt. 3 modified (23.9.2016) by [The M4 Motorway \(Junctions 3 to 12\) \(Smart Motorway\) Development Consent Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/863\)](#), arts. 1, **9(2)**
- C9** Pt. 3 modified (23.2.2017) by [High Speed Rail \(London - West Midlands\) Act 2017 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 70(1), **Sch. 4 para. 8(1)** (with Sch. 4 para. 8(2))
- C10** Pt. 3 excluded (23.2.2017) by [High Speed Rail \(London - West Midlands\) Act 2017 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 70(1), **Sch. 33 para. 1(3)**
- C11** Pt. 3 modified (29.3.2017) by [The Glyn Rhonwy Pumped Storage Generating Station Order 2017 \(S.I. 2017/330\)](#), arts. 1, **12(1)** (with art. 31)
- C12** Pt. 3 applied (with modifications) (27.2.2020) by [The A30 Chiverton to Carland Cross Development Consent Order 2020 \(S.I. 2020/121\)](#), arts. 1, **12(1)(2)** (with art. 3(1))
- C13** Pt. 3 modified (11.6.2020) by [The M42 Junction 6 Development Consent Order 2020 \(S.I. 2020/528\)](#), arts. 1, **13(1)(2)** (with art. 37)
- C14** Pt. 3 modified (9.2.2021) by [The A1 Birtley to Coal House Development Consent Order 2021 \(S.I. 2021/74\)](#), arts. 1, **10(1)(2)** (with art. 5, Sch. 27 para. 36)
- C15** Pt. 3 excluded (11.2.2021) by [High Speed Rail \(West Midlands - Crewe\) Act 2021 \(c. 2\)](#), s. 64(1), **Sch. 32 para. 1(3)** (with Sch. 32 para. 1(1))
- C16** Pt. 3 modified (11.2.2021) by [High Speed Rail \(West Midlands - Crewe\) Act 2021 \(c. 2\)](#), s. 64(1), **Sch. 4 paras. 10(1), 14(3)** (with Sch. 4 para. 10(2))
- C17** Pt. 3 modified (11.8.2022) by [The Sizewell C \(Nuclear Generating Station\) Order 2022 \(S.I. 2022/853\)](#), arts. 1, **15(1)** (with arts. 62, 76, 87)
 Pt. 3 modified (2.9.2022) by [The A47 North Tuddenham to Easton Development Consent Order 2022 \(S.I. 2022/911\)](#), arts. 1, **10(1)(2)** (with arts. 4, 53)
- C18** Pt. 3 modified (7.12.2022) by [The A57 Link Roads Development Consent Order 2022 \(S.I. 2022/1206\)](#), arts. 1, **11(1)(2)** (with art. 5)

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- C19** Pt. 3 modified (7.12.2022) by [The A417 Missing Link Development Consent Order 2022 \(S.I. 2022/1248\)](#), arts. 1, **12(1)(2)** (with art. 4)
- C20** Pt. 3 modified (10.3.2023) by [The A47 Wansford to Sutton Development Consent Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/218\)](#), arts. 1, **11(1)(2)** (with arts. 4, 50)
- C21** Pt. 3 modified (27.7.2023) by [The Boston Alternative Energy Facility Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/778\)](#), arts. 1, **11(2)** (with arts. 5, 53, Sch. 8 paras. 6, 64)
- C22** Pt. 3 modified (7.9.2023) by [The A38 Derby Junctions Development Consent Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/923\)](#), arts. 1, **12(1)(2)** (with arts. 4, 45, Sch. 9 paras. 6, 46, 54(1))
- C23** Ss. 54-106 applied (28.2.2013) by [The Rookery South \(Resource Recovery Facility\) Order 2011 2013 \(S.I. 2013/680\)](#), **art. 10(3)**
- C24** Ss. 54-106 applied (9.4.2013) by [The Lancashire County Council \(Torrisholme to the M6 Link \(A683 Completion of Heysham to M6 Link Road\)\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/675\)](#), arts. 1, **9(2)**
- C25** Ss. 54-106 applied (15.6.2013) by [The Galloper Wind Farm Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/1203\)](#), arts. 1, **13(3)** (with arts. 11, 12)
- C26** Ss. 54-106 applied (15.8.2013) by [The North Blyth Biomass Power Station Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/1873\)](#), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with art. 30)
- C27** Ss. 54-106 applied (7.7.2014) by [The East Anglia ONE Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1599\)](#), arts. 1, **8(3)** (with arts. 37, 38, Sch. 9 para. 19)
- C28** Ss. 54-106 applied (6.8.2014) by [The Rampion Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1873\)](#), arts. 1, **15(3)** (with arts. 7(6), 12, 13, Sch. 12 Pt. 1 para. 19, Sch. 12 Pt. 2 para. 6, sch. 12 Pt. 3 para. 5, Sch. 12 Pt. 4 para. 4, Sch. 12 Pt. 5 para. 4)
- C29** Ss. 54-106 applied (24.9.2014) by [The Thames Water Utilities Limited \(Thames Tideway Tunnel\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2384\)](#), arts. 1, **10(4)**, **11(5)** (with arts. 55, 56)
- C30** Ss. 54-106 applied (2.10.2014) by [The North Killingholme \(Generating Station\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2434\)](#), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with arts. 6, 9(4), 13, Sch. 8 Pt. 1 para. 6, Sch. 8 Pt. 3 paras. 4(3), 6, 17, Sch. 8 Pt. 5 para. 9)
- C31** Ss. 54-106 applied (29.10.2014) by [The Able Marine Energy Park Development Consent Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2935\)](#), **art. 15(3)** (with arts. 30(4), 53)
- C32** Ss. 54-106 applied (28.11.2014) by [The Walney Extension Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2950\)](#), arts. 1, **10(3)** (with arts. 38, 39)
- C33** Ss. 54-106 applied (7.1.2015) by [The Willington C Gas Pipeline Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/3328\)](#), arts. 1, **10(3)**
- C34** Ss. 54-106 applied (2.2.2015) by [The Northumberland County Council \(A1 – South East Northumberland Link Road \(Morpeth Northern Bypass\)\) Development Consent Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/23\)](#), arts. 1, **9(2)**
- C35** Ss. 54-106 applied (26.2.2015) by [The Cornwall Council \(A30 Temple to Higher Carblake Improvement\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/147\)](#), arts. 1, **9(3)**
- C36** Ss. 54-106 applied (11.3.2015) by [The Dogger Bank Creyke Beck Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/318\)](#), arts. 1, **13(3)** (with arts. 8(5), 35, 40, 41, **Sch. 12 Pt. 1 paras. 4, 9(2), 10, Pt. 2 paras. 4(2)(3), 19, Pt. 4 paras. 3, 4, 16**)
- C37** Ss. 54-106 applied (1.4.2015) by [The Knottingley Power Plant Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/680\)](#), arts. 1, **10(3)** (with art. 7(6), Sch. 8 para. 10)
- C38** Ss. 54-106 applied (23.6.2015) by [The Norfolk County Council \(Norwich Northern Distributor Road \(A1067 to A47\(T\)\)\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1347\)](#), arts. 1, **9(2)**
- C39** Ss. 54-106 applied (30.6.2015) by [The Swansea Bay Tidal Generating Station Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1386\)](#), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with arts. 51, 53)
- C40** Ss. 54-106 applied (7.8.2015) by [The Preesall Underground Gas Storage Facility Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1561\)](#), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with art. 44)
- C41** Ss. 54-106 applied (14.8.2015) by [The Progress Power \(Gas Fired Power Station\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1570\)](#), arts. 1, **10(3)**
- C42** Ss. 54-106 applied (26.8.2015) by [The Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1592\)](#), arts. 1, **14(3)** (with arts. 35, 40, 41)

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- C43 Ss. 54-106 applied (19.11.2015) by [The Ferrybridge Multifuel 2 Power Station Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1832\), arts. 1\(2\), 9\(3\)](#)
- C44 Ss. 54-106 applied (30.12.2015) by [The Port Talbot Steelworks Generating Station Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1984\), arts. 1, 9\(3\) \(with art. 26\)](#)
- C45 Ss. 54-106 applied (with modifications) (25.3.2016) by [The Thorpe Marsh Gas Pipeline Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/297\), arts. 1, 12\(3\) \(with art. 39\)](#)
- C46 Ss. 54-106 applied (2.8.2016) by [The Meaford Gas Fired Generating Station Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/779\), arts. 1, 11\(3\)](#)
- C47 Ss. 54-106 applied (10.8.2016) by [The York Potash Harbour Facilities Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/772\), arts. 1, 10\(3\) \(with arts. 35, 36\)](#)
- C48 Ss. 54-106 applied (19.8.2016) by [The North Wales Wind Farms Connection Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/818\), arts. 1, 10\(5\) \(with art. 35\)](#)
- C49 Ss. 54-106 applied (with modifications) (15.9.2016) by [The River Humber Gas Pipeline Replacement Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/853\), arts. 1, 11\(3\) \(with art. 43\)](#)
- C50 Ss. 54-106 applied (23.9.2016) by [The M4 Motorway \(Junctions 3 to 12\) \(Smart Motorway\) Development Consent Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/863\), arts. 1, 11\(3\)](#)
- C51 Ss. 54-106 applied (27.9.2016) by [The Triton Knoll Electrical System Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/880\), arts. 1\(2\), 8\(3\) \(with arts. 39, 40, Sch. 8 para. 19\)](#)
- C52 Ss. 54-106 applied (18.3.2017) by [The North London Heat and Power Generating Station Order 2017 \(S.I. 2017/215\), arts. 1, 10\(3\)](#)
- C53 Ss. 54-106 applied (29.3.2017) by [The Glyn Rhonwy Pumped Storage Generating Station Order 2017 \(S.I. 2017/330\), arts. 1, 10\(3\) \(with art. 31\)](#)
- C54 Ss. 54-106 applied (5.4.2017) by [The Keuper Underground Gas Storage Facility Order 2017 \(S.I. 2017/433\), arts. 1, 10\(4\)](#)
- C55 Ss. 54-106 applied (8.8.2017) by [The Wrexham Gas Fired Generating Station Order 2017 \(S.I. 2017/766\), arts. 1, 10\(3\)](#)
- C56 Ss. 54-106 applied (29.8.2017) by [The East Anglia THREE Offshore Wind Farm Order 2017 \(S.I. 2017/826\), arts. 1, 8\(3\) \(with arts. 5\(9\), 36, 37, Sch. 8 para. 34\)](#)
- C57 Ss. 54-106 applied (12.10.2018) by [The Eggborough Gas Fired Generating Station Order 2018 \(S.I. 2018/1020\), arts. 1, 8\(3\) \(with arts. 6, 42\)](#)
- C58 Ss. 54-106 applied (3.4.2019) by [The Millbrook Gas Fired Generating Station Order 2019 \(S.I. 2019/578\), arts. 1, 9\(3\)](#)
- C59 Ss. 54-106 applied (10.10.2019) by [The Abergelli Power Gas Fired Generating Station Order 2019 \(S.I. 2019/1268\), arts. 1, 9\(3\)](#)
- C60 Ss. 54-106 applied (25.10.2019) by [The Drax Power \(Generating Stations\) Order 2019 \(S.I. 2019/1315\), arts. 1, 9\(3\)](#)
- C61 Ss. 54-106 applied (27.2.2020) by [The A30 Chiverton to Carland Cross Development Consent Order 2020 \(S.I. 2020/121\), arts. 1, 11\(3\) \(with art. 3\(1\)\)](#)
- C62 Ss. 54-106 applied (14.4.2020) by [The Reinforcement to the North Shropshire Electricity Distribution Network Order 2020 \(S.I. 2020/325\), arts. 1, 10\(4\) \(with art. 7\)](#)
- C63 Ss. 54-106 applied (1.5.2020) by [The Riverside Energy Park Order 2020 \(S.I. 2020/419\), arts. 1, 11\(3\) \(with art. 7\)](#)
- C64 Ss. 54-106 applied (11.6.2020) by [The M42 Junction 6 Development Consent Order 2020 \(S.I. 2020/528\), arts. 1, 12\(3\) \(with art. 37\)](#)
- C65 Ss. 54-106 applied (1.9.2020) by [The Immingham Open Cycle Gas Turbine Order 2020 \(S.I. 2020/847\), arts. 1, 9\(3\) \(with Sch. 9 para. 144\)](#)
- C66 Ss. 54-106 applied (9.2.2021) by [The A1 Birtley to Coal House Development Consent Order 2021 \(S.I. 2021/74\), arts. 1, 12\(3\) \(with art. 5, Sch. 27 para. 36\)](#)
- C67 Ss. 54-106 applied (22.12.2021) by [The Morlais Demonstration Zone Order 2021 \(S.I. 2021/1478\), arts. 1, 7, Sch. 10 para. 2 \(with arts. 15, 50, Sch. 11 para. 29\)](#)
- C68 Ss. 54-106 applied (10.3.2022) by [The Thurrock Flexible Generation Plant Development Consent Order 2022 \(S.I. 2022/157\), arts. 1, 11\(3\) \(with Sch. 8 Pt. 6 para. 19\)](#)

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- C70** Ss. 54-106 applied (2.9.2022) by The A47 North Tuddenham to Easton Development Consent Order 2022 (S.I. 2022/911), arts. 1, **14(3)** (with arts. 4, 53)
- C71** Ss. 54-106 applied (with modifications) (4.11.2022) by The A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction Development Consent Order 2022 (S.I. 2022/1070), arts. 1, **15(3)** (with arts. 4, 52, Sch. 9 para. 82)
- C72** Ss. 54-106 applied (7.12.2022) by The A57 Link Roads Development Consent Order 2022 (S.I. 2022/1206), arts. 1, **10(3)** (with arts. 5, 11)
- C73** Ss. 54-106 applied (7.12.2022) by The A417 Missing Link Development Consent Order 2022 (S.I. 2022/1248), arts. 1, **11(3)** (with arts. 4, 12)
- C74** Ss. 54-106 applied (29.12.2022) by The Keadby 3 (Carbon Capture Equipped Gas Fired Generating Station) Order 2022 (S.I. 2022/1396), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with art. 32, Sch. 10 paras. 26(2), 68)
- C75** Ss. 54-106 applied (10.3.2023) by The A47 Wansford to Sutton Development Consent Order 2023 (S.I. 2023/218), arts. 1, **15(3)** (with arts. 4, 50)
- C76** Ss. 54-106 applied (18.7.2023) by The Longfield Solar Farm Order 2023 (S.I. 2023/734), arts. 1, **8(3)**
- C77** Ss. 54-106 applied (27.7.2023) by The Boston Alternative Energy Facility Order 2023 (S.I. 2023/778), arts. 1, **10(3)** (with arts. 5, 53, Sch. 8 paras. 6, 64)
- C78** Ss. 54-106 applied (7.9.2023) by The A38 Derby Junctions Development Consent Order 2023 (S.I. 2023/923), arts. 1, **11(3)** (with arts. 4, 45, Sch. 9 paras. 6, 46, 54(1))
- C79** Ss. 54-106 applied (7.2.2024) by The Drax Power Station Bioenergy with Carbon Capture and Storage Extension Order 2024 (S.I. 2024/70), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with art. 43, Sch. 12 paras. 5, 24)
- C80** Ss. 54-106 applied (11.3.2024) by The Net Zero Teesside Order 2024 (S.I. 2024/174), arts. 1, **11(3)** (with arts. 42, 43, Sch. 12 paras. 5, 51, 91, 129, 136, 234, 345, 356)
- C81** S. 63(1) excluded (22.7.2008) by Crossrail Act 2008 (c. 18), **Sch. 14 para. 14(7)**
- C82** S. 63(1) excluded (24.9.2014) by The Thames Water Utilities Limited (Thames Tideway Tunnel) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/2384), art. 1, **Sch. 19 Pt. 1 para. 4(7)**
- C83** S. 63(1) excluded (23.2.2017) by High Speed Rail (London - West Midlands) Act 2017 (c. 7), s. 70(1), **Sch. 24 para. 2(7)** (with Sch. 24 para. 2(16))
- C84** S. 63(1) excluded (30.10.2019) by The Northampton Gateway Rail Freight Interchange Order 2019 (S.I. 2019/1358), art. 1, **Sch. 14 para. 3(7)** (with art. 45(7), Sch. 13 Pt. 1 para. 19)
- C85** S. 63(1) excluded (11.2.2021) by High Speed Rail (West Midlands - Crewe) Act 2021 (c. 2), s. 64(1), **Sch. 24 para. 2(7)** (with Sch. 24 para. 2(16))

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