STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1974 No. 766

HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Dolgellau—South of Birkenhead Trunk Road (Drome Corner, Sealand Diversion and Slip Roads) Order 1974

Made - - - *22nd April* 1974

Coming into Operation *22nd May* 1974

The Secretary of State for Wales makes this Order in exercise of powers conferred by sections 7 and 44 of the Highways Act 1959(**a**) and now vested in him (**b**), section 27 of the Local Government Act 1966(**c**) and section 68 of the Highways Act 1971(**d**) and of all other enabling powers:—

1. The new highways which the Secretary of State proposes to construct—

(*a*) along the route described in Schedule 1 to this Order (the highway along this route 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 this Order referred to as "the slip roads"),

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

2. The centre lines of the new trunk roads are indicated by heavy black lines on the deposited plan.

3. 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 a highway maintainable at the 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 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 the purposes of through traffic.

(**a**) 1959 c. 25. (**b**) S.I. 1965/319 (1965 I, p. 785). (**c**) 1966 c. 42. (**d**) 1971 c. 41.

4. The length of trunk road described in Schedule 3 to this Order and shown by broad striped hatching on the deposited plan shall cease to be a trunk road and shall be classified as a classified road as from the date on which the Secretary of State notifies the County Council of Clwyd that the new trunk roads are open for through traffic.

5. In this Order:—

"classified road" as a classification for a highway, means that the highway is not a principal road for the purposes of advances under section 235 of the Highways Act 1959 but is a classified road for the purpose of every enactment or instrument which refers to highways classified by the Secretary of State;

"the deposited plan" means the plan numbered H/A 7/2-WO 103, marked "The Dolgellau—South of Birkenhead Trunk Road (Drome Corner, Sealand Diversion and Slip Roads) Order 1974", signed by authority of the Secretary of State and deposited at the Welsh Office, Cathays Park, Cardiff, where it is open to inspection free of charge at all reasonable hours;

"the new trunk roads" means the highways mentioned in Article 1 of this Order;

"the Trunk Road" means the Dolgellau—Bala—Ruthin—Queensferry—South of Birkenhead Trunk Road (A550).

6. This Order shall come into operation on the 22nd May 1974 and may be cited as the Dolgellau—South of Birkenhead Trunk Road (Drome Corner, Sealand Diversion and Slip Roads) Order 1974.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

D. A. R. Hall,
Director of Highways,
Welsh Office.

22nd April 1974.

SCHEDULE 1

ROUTE OF THE MAIN NEW TRUNK ROAD

A route about 415 metres in length starting at a point on the Trunk Road about 255 metres south of the centre line of the railway at Sealand Railway Bridge and going in a southerly direction to rejoin the Trunk Road at Drome Corner.

SCHEDULE 2

ROUTES OF THE SLIP ROADS

1. Two routes to connect the south bound carriageway of the Trunk Road with Green Lane (the new trunk roads along these routes being respectively given the reference numbers 1 and 2 on the deposited plan).

2. Three routes to connect the north bound and south bound carriageways of the Trunk Road with the roundabouts to be constructed by virtue of the Dolgellau—South of Birkenhead Trunk Road (Drome Corner, Sealand Diversion and Slip Roads Side Roads) Order 1974 (the new trunk roads along these routes being respectively given the reference numbers 3, 4 & 5 on the deposited plan).

SCHEDULE 3

LENGTH OF TRUNK ROAD CEASING TO BE A TRUNK ROAD

The Trunk Road from a point about 255 metres south of the centre line of the railway at Sealand Railway Bridge for about 535 metres southwards to include part of the existing roundabout at Drome Corner.

Unit of length: 1 metre=1·094 yards approximately.