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2010 No. 526

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A421 Trunk Road (A603 Cardington Road Interchange to A428 St. Neots Road Interchange, Bedford Southern Bypass, Bedfordshire) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2010

Made - - - -	*15 February 2010*
Coming into force - -	*22 February 2010*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A421 Trunk Road and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on a length of that road and on some of those other roads in the County of Bedfordshire should be prohibited because works are proposed to be executed thereon:

NOW THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(**a**) hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as the A421 Trunk Road (A603 Cardington Road Interchange to A428 St. Neots Road Interchange, Bedford Southern Bypass, Bedfordshire) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2010 and shall come into force on 22 February 2010.

2. In this Order -

"the A421" means the eastbound carriageway of the A421 Trunk Road between the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road leading to the A421/A603 Cardington Road Interchange and the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road leading from the A421/A428 St. Neots Road Interchange;

"tip of the nosing" means, as indicated by the road markings on the carriageway of the trunk road, the first point where a slip road joins, or the last point where a slip road leaves, the carriageway of the trunk road;

"a slip road" means the A421 eastbound –

(a) entry slip road leading from the A421/A603 Cardington Road Interchange, and

(b) exit slip road leading to the A421/A428 St. Neots Road Interchange

"layby" means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles and bounded partly by a road marking on the outer edge of that carriageway complying with diagram 1010 in Schedule 6 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(**b**); and in this definition "carriageway" means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in the trunk road over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles and which has a surface suitable for the exercise of that right;

"works" mean resurfacing, road marking, signage, gully clearing and lighting maintenance work to the A421;

(**a**) 1984 c.27; a new section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991 (c.26), section 1 (1) and Schedule 1.
(**b**) S.I. 2002/3113; Part I.

"a works period" means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Monday 1 March 2010 or on any subsequent day until the said works have been completed;

"the works period" means the period starting at 08.00 hours on Monday 1 March 2010 and ending when the said works have been completed;

and a reference to an article followed by a number is a reference to the article in this Order which bears that number.

3. Subject as mentioned in article 4 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in –

(a) the A421 or a slip road, during a works period, or

(b) any layby adjacent to the A421, during the works period.

4. The provisions of article 3 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs and shall not apply to a vehicle being used in connection with the said works or for winter service maintenance, police, fire and rescue authority, ambulance or traffic officer purposes.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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15 February 2010

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