STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 625

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A50 and A500 Trunk Roads (Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

Made - - - -	*24th February 2012*
Coming into force - -	*2nd March 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A50 Trunk Road ("the A50") and A500 Trunk Road ("the A500") and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of those trunk roads and on some of those connecting roads at Stoke-on-Trent in the County of Staffordshire, 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)** and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A50 and A500 Trunk Roads (Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 2nd March 2012.

2. In this Order:

"the first roundabout"	means the circulatory carriageway at the roundabout junction of the A50 and the A500;
"the second roundabout"	means the southern roundabout at the A500/A5006 Sideway Interchange;
"the third roundabout"	means the circulatory carriageway at the roundabout junction of the A50 with the slip roads leading to and from the westbound and eastbound carriageways of the A50 (Heron Cross Roundabout);
"the first length of trunk road"	means the westbound carriageway of the A50 from its junction with the exit slip road leading to the third roundabout, to its junction with the first roundabout;
"the second length of trunk road"	means the A50 from its junction with the third roundabout to its roundabout junctions with the A5007;

(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.

“a slip road”	means – i) the slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the A500 to the first roundabout; ii) the slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the A500 to the first roundabout; iii) the slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the A500 from the first roundabout; iv) the slip road leading to the westbound carriageway of the A50 from its roundabout junction with Blurton Road; v) the slip road leading from the slip road described in iii) above to the second roundabout; vi) the slip road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the A50 from the third roundabout; vii) the slip road leading from the westbound carriageway of the A50 to the third roundabout; viii) lane 2 of the slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the A500 to the A5006; ix) the slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the A500 to its roundabout junction with the A53 Etruria Road; and x) the slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the A500 from its roundabout junction with the A527 and Chemical Lane;
“a link road”	means – i) a length of the A5006 connecting the northern and southern roundabouts at Sideway Interchange, from its junction with the slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the A500, to its junction with the second roundabout; and ii) the westbound and eastbound link roads connecting the roundabout junction of the A50 and Blurton Road with the third roundabout;
“the works period”	means the period starting at 20:00 hours on Saturday 3rd March 2012 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, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the first roundabout, the second roundabout, the third roundabout, the first length of trunk road, the second length of trunk road, a slip road or a link road.

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 any vehicle-

(a) being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes;
(b) proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable; or
(c) being used in connection with the said works.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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24th February 2012