STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 203

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A14 Trunk Road (Junction 47 Woolpit Interchange to Junction 44 Moreton Hall Interchange, Suffolk) Westbound (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013

Made - - - -	*28th January 2013*
Coming into force - -	*4th February 2013*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A14 Trunk Road ("the A14") and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and on some of those connecting roads in the District of St Edmundsbury in County of Suffolk should be restricted and 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), 5(b) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(**a**), and with the consent of Suffolk County Council insofar as the alternative road is concerned, hereby makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A14 Trunk Road (Junction 47 Woolpit Interchange to Junction 44 Moreton Hall Interchange, Suffolk) Westbound (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 4th February 2013.

2. In this Order –

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

"the first length of trunk road" means the westbound carriageway of the A14 from a point 1900 metres east of the tip of the nosing, to the tip of the nosing, of the exit slip road at Junction 47 Woolpit Interchange;

"the second length of trunk road" means the westbound carriageway of the A14 from the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Broadgrass Green Junction to a point 1228 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 44 Moreton Hall Interchange;

"the third length of trunk road" means the westbound carriageway of the A14 from a point 1228 metres east of the tip of the nosing, to the tip of that nosing, of the exit slip road at Junction 44 Moreton Hall Interchange;

"the fourth length of trunk road" means the westbound carriageway of the A14 from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 47 Woolpit Interchange to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 44 Moreton Hall Interchange;

(**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.

"the slip road" means the exit slip road leading from the westbound carriageway of the A14 at Junction 47 Woolpit Interchange;

"a slip road" means the entry slip road leading to the westbound carriageway of the A14 at –

(a) Junction 47 Woolpit Interchange,

(b) Broadgrass Green Junction,

(c) Roughham Nurseries Junction, and

(d) Junction 45 Rougham Rookery Crossroads Junction;

"lay-by" means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles, 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(**a**); and in this definition "carriageway" means a way constituting or comprised in a trunk road (other than a cycle track) over which the public have a right of way and which has a surface suitable for the exercise of that right;

"the alternative road" means the A1088 between Elmswell and Ixworth, Suffolk;

"works" mean carriageway resurfacing and replacement of road markings, carriageway inspection and routine maintenance, and inspection survey and testing on Beyton Green Bridge;

"a works period" means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Friday 8th February 2013 or on any subsequent day until the works have been completed;

"the works period" means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Friday 8th February 2013 and ending when the 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 articles 6 and 7 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to overtake any other moving vehicle or be driven at a speed exceeding –

(a) 50 miles per hour on the first length of trunk road or the slip road, or

(b) 10 miles per hour on a length of the third length of trunk road, or 40 miles per hour on a length of the second length of trunk road, whilst traffic signs of a character authorised under section 64 of the Traffic Road Regulation Act 1984 indicating "convoy working" on that length are displayed.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to –

(a) enter or proceed in the fourth length of trunk road or a slip road, during a works period, or

(b) enter any lay-by adjacent to the westbound carriageway of the A14 between Junction 47 Woolpit Interchange and Junction 44 Moreton Hall Interchange, during the works period.

5. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs.

6. The provisions of article 4 shall not apply to -

(a) a vehicle being used for, or in connection with, the works or for traffic officer or winter maintenance purposes,

(b) a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes, or

(c) anything done at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform;

(**a**) S.I. 2002/3113; Part I.

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to a vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (b) of this article or to any vehicle falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(**a**) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

7. During a works period, the provisions of Suffolk County Council (Parishes of Elmswell, Norton, Stowlangtoft and Ixworth) (Prohibition of Heavy Commercial Vehicles Over 7.5 Tonnes) Order 1993 are hereby suspended in relation to the alternative road.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Woodlands, Manton Lane, Bedford, MK41 7LW
28th January 2013

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(**a**) S.I. 2011/935.