

**2012 No. 2324**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A1 Trunk Road (Biggleswade South Roundabout to Black Cat Roundabout, Bedfordshire) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

*Made* - - - - *3rd September 2012*

*Coming into force* - - *10th September 2012*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1 Trunk Road (“the A1”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and on some of those connecting roads in Central Bedfordshire 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 A1 Trunk Road (Biggleswade South Roundabout to Black Cat Roundabout, Bedfordshire) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 10th September 2012.

2. In this Order –

“the first length of trunk road” means the A1 between its junctions with the northern side of the A6001 Biggleswade South Roundabout and the southern side of the A603 Sandy Roundabout;

“a second length of trunk road” means the A1 -

(a) between its junctions with the southern side of the B658 Biggleswade North Roundabout and the northern side of the A6001 Biggleswade South Roundabout, and

(b) northbound carriageway between its junctions with the northern side of the A603 Sandy Roundabout and the southern side of the A421 Black Cat Roundabout;

“a slip road” means the A1 northbound entry slip roads leading from Tempsford Road, Blunham and Sunderland Road, Sandy;

“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(b); 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 for the passage of vehicles and which has a surface suitable for the exercise of that right;

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(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.

“central reservation” means that part of the trunk road which separates the carriageway to be used by vehicles travelling in one direction from the vehicles travelling in the opposite direction;

“works” mean carriageway resurfacing and renewal of road markings;

“a first works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Monday 17th September 2012 or on any subsequent day until the works to the first length of trunk road have been completed;

“the first works period” means the period starting at 06.00 hours on Monday 17th September 2012 and ending when the works to the first length of trunk road have been completed;

“a second works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 8th October 2012 or on any subsequent day until the works to a second length of trunk road or a slip road have been completed;

“the second works period” means the period starting at 06.00 hours on Monday 8th October 2012 and ending when the works to a second length of trunk road or a slip road 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 –
  - (a) enter or proceed in the first length of trunk road, during a first works period,
  - (b) enter or proceed in a second length of trunk road or a slip road, during a second works period,
  - (b) enter or proceed in any lay-by adjacent to the first length of trunk road, during the first works period, or
  - (c) proceed through the gap in the central reservation of the trunk road situated opposite its junction with –
    - (i) New Road, Beeston; Manor Farm, Lower Caldecote; and Biggleswade Road, Upper Caldecote, during the first works period, or
    - (ii) Holme Court School, Biggleswade, during the second 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 any vehicle –
  - (a) being used in connection with the works or for traffic officer purposes,
  - (b) being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes,
  - (c) proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or traffic officer in uniform, or
  - (d) proceeding to or from properties which are accessible from, and only from, the trunk road.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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