
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 684

**The Midland Metro (Wolverhampton
City Centre Extension) Order 2016**

PART 5

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

Planning permission

44. Planning permission which is deemed by a direction under section 90(2A)(1) (development with government authorisation) of the 1990 Act to be granted in relation to the authorised works is to be treated as specific planning permission for the purposes of section 264(3)(a) (cases in which land is to be treated as operational land for the purposes of that Act) of that Act.

Statutory undertakers, etc.

45. The provisions of Schedule 8 (provisions relating to statutory undertakers, etc.) have effect.

Minerals

46. Nothing in this Order affects the right of any person entitled to any mine or minerals of any description whatsoever under a street along which the authorised tramway is laid to work the mine or get the minerals; but this does not affect any liability (whether civil or criminal) of the person so entitled in respect of damage to the authorised tramway resulting from the exercise of any such right.

Saving for highway authorities

47. Nothing in this Order affects any power of a highway authority to widen, alter, divert or improve any highway along which the authorised tramway is constructed.

Disclosure of confidential information

48. A person who—

- (a) enters a factory, workshop or workplace under article 21 (works to safeguard buildings and the operation of the authorised tramway) or article 22 (power to survey and investigate land, etc.); and
- (b) discloses to any person any information obtained under sub-paragraph (a) and relating to any manufacturing process or trade secret,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale unless the disclosure is made in the course of that person's performance of a duty in connection with the purposes for which the person was authorised to enter the land.

Defence to proceedings in respect of statutory nuisance

49.—(1) Where proceedings are brought under section 82(1) (summary proceedings by person aggrieved by statutory nuisance) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990(2) in relation to a nuisance falling within paragraph (g) of section 79(1)(3) (noise emitted from premises so as to be prejudicial to health or a nuisance) of that Act no order may be made, and no fine imposed, under section 82(2) of that Act if the defendant shows—

- (a) that the nuisance relates to premises used by the Authority for the purposes of or in connection with the exercise of the powers conferred by this Order with respect to works and that the nuisance is attributable to the carrying out of works which are being carried out in accordance with a notice served under section 60 (control of noise on construction sites), or a consent given under section 61(4)(prior consent for work on construction sites)), of the Control of Pollution Act 1974(5); or
- (b) that the nuisance is a consequence of the operation or maintenance of the authorised tramway and that it cannot reasonably be avoided.

(2) Section 61(9) (consent for work on construction site to include statement that it does not of itself constitute a defence to proceedings under section 82 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990) of the Control of Pollution Act 1974 does not apply where the consent relates to the use of premises by the Authority for the purposes of or in connection with the exercise of the powers conferred by this Order with respect to works.

(3) The provisions of this article do not affect any rule of common law having similar effect.

Certification of plans, etc.

50. The Authority must, as soon as practicable after the making of this Order, submit copies of the book of reference, the works and land plans and the traffic regulation plan to the Secretary of State for certification that they are true copies of, respectively, the book of reference, the works and land plans and the traffic regulation plan referred to in this Order; and a document so certified is admissible in any proceedings as evidence of the contents of the document of which it is a copy.

Service of notices

51.—(1) A notice or other document required or authorised to be served for the purposes of this Order may be served—

- (a) by post; or
- (b) with the consent of the recipient and subject to paragraphs (6) to (8), by electronic transmission.

(2) Where the person on whom a notice or other document to be served for the purposes of this Order is a body corporate, the notice or document is duly served if it is served on the secretary or clerk of that body.

(3) For the purposes of section 7 of the Interpretation Act 1978(6) as it applies for the purposes of this article, the proper address of any person in relation to the service on that person of a notice

(2) 1990 c. 43.

(3) Section 79(1) was amended by section 2(2) of the Noise and Statutory Nuisance Act 1993 (c. 40), section 120 of, and paragraph 2(a) of Schedule 17 and paragraph 89(2) of Schedule 22 to, the Environment Act 1995, sections 101(2) and 102(2) of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 (c. 16) and sections 109(2), 110(2), 111(2) and 112(2)(a) of the Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008 (asp. 5).

(4) Section 61 was amended by Schedule 7 to the Building Act 1984 (c. 55), paragraph 15(3) of Schedule 15 to the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (c. 43), Schedule 24 to the Environment Act 1995 (c. 25) and paragraph 10 of Schedule 6 to the Building (Scotland) Act 2003 (S. 112) (asp. 8).

(5) 1974 c. 40.

(6) 1978 c. 30.

or document under paragraph (1) is, if that person has given an address for service, that address, and otherwise—

- (a) in the case of the secretary or clerk of a body corporate, the registered or principal office of that body; and
- (b) in any other case, the last known address of that person at the time of service.

(4) Where for the purposes of this Order a notice or other document is required or authorised to be served on a person as having any interest in, or as the occupier of, land and the name or address of that person cannot be ascertained after reasonable enquiry, the notice may be served by—

- (a) addressing it to that person by name or by the description of “owner”, or as the case may be “occupier”, of the land (describing it); and
- (b) either leaving it in the hands of a person who is or appears to be resident or employed on the land or leaving it conspicuously affixed to some building or object on or near the land.

(5) Where a notice or other document required to be served or sent for the purposes of this Order is served or sent by electronic transmission, the requirement is taken to be fulfilled only where the recipient of the notice or other document to be transmitted has given consent to the use of electronic transmission in writing or by electronic transmission.

(6) Where the recipient of a notice or other document served or sent by electronic transmission notifies the sender within 7 days of receipt that the recipient requires a paper copy of all or any part of that notice or other document, the sender must provide such a copy as soon as reasonably practicable.

(7) Any consent to the use of electronic transmission given by a person may be revoked by that person in accordance with paragraph (8).

(8) Where a person is no longer willing to accept the use of electronic transmission for any of the purposes of this Order—

- (a) that person must give notice in writing or by electronic transmission revoking any consent given by that person for that purpose; and
- (b) such revocation is final and takes effect on a date specified by the person in the notice but that date must not be less than 7 days after the date on which the notice is given.

(9) This article does not exclude the employment of any method of service not expressly provided for by it.

No double recovery

52. Compensation is not payable in respect of the same matter both under this Order and under any other enactment, any contract or any rule of law, or under two or more different provisions of this Order.

Arbitration

53. Except where otherwise expressly provided for in this Order and unless otherwise agreed between the parties, any difference under any provision of this Order (other than a difference which falls to be determined by the tribunal) must be referred to and settled by a single arbitrator to be agreed between the parties or, failing agreement, to be appointed on the application of either party (after giving notice in writing to the other) by the President of the Institution of Civil Engineers.

For protection of railway interests

54. The provisions of Schedule 9 (for the protection of railway interests) have effect.

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For protection of the Canal and River Trust

55. The provisions of Schedule 10 (for the protection of the Canal and River Trust) have effect.