

## 1990 No. 317

## ROAD AND RAILWAY TRANSPORT

**Belfast Cross Harbour Rail Bridge Link  
Order (Northern Ireland) 1990**

*Made* . . . . . 29th August 1990

*Coming into operation* . . . . . 8th October 1990

WHEREAS the railway undertaking proposes to construct as part of the cross harbour rail bridge link a bridge over the navigable waters of the River Lagan;

AND WHEREAS notice has been published and served in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 6 to the Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1980(a) as applied and modified by section 67I of and Schedule 1A(b) to the Transport Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(c);

AND WHEREAS three objections were received and subsequently withdrawn;

AND WHEREAS the Department has taken into consideration the reasonable requirements of navigation over the waters affected by the proposal;

NOW THEREFORE the Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 67A(2) and (3)(b) of the Transport Act (Northern Ireland) 1967 and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, on application to it by the railway undertaking, makes the following Order:—

*Citation and commencement*

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Belfast Cross Harbour Rail Bridge Link Order (Northern Ireland) 1990 and shall come into operation on 8th October 1990.

(2) In this Order “the map” means Drawing No. D2/01/26 and marked “Belfast Cross Harbour Rail Bridge Link Order (Northern Ireland) 1990” copies of which have been deposited for inspection at Belfast Development Office, Clarendon House, 9-21 Adelaide Street, Belfast BT2 8NR, at Northern Ireland Railways Company Ltd. Headquarters, Central Station, East Bridge Street, Belfast BT1 3PB and at Transport Division, Northland House, 3-5a Frederick Street, Belfast BT1 2NR.

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(a) S.I. 1980/1085 (N.I. 11)

(b) As inserted by S.I. 1984/1986 (N.I. 15) Art. 16

(c) 1967 c. 37 (N.I.). The functions of the Ministry of Development transferred to the Department of the Environment by S.R. & O. 1973 No. 504 Art. 4

*Authorisation to construct a bridge*

2. The railway undertaking is authorised to construct the bridge described in the Schedule as part of the cross harbour rail link.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on  
29th August 1990.

(L.S.)

*R. H. Mackenzie*

Under Secretary

**Belfast Cross Harbour Rail Bridge**

## Points of commencement and termination

The centre line of the bridge shall extend from a point on the west bank of the River Lagan approximately 280 metres north of the Queen Elizabeth Bridge to a point on the east bank approximately 175 metres north of the Queen Elizabeth Bridge more particularly delineated and hatched red on the map.

## Minimum spans, headway and waterways

Minimum centre span	60 metres between centres of supports
Minimum side spans	50 metres between centres of supports
Minimum headway	4.5 metres above mean high water spring tides
Minimum centre span waterway	55 metres
Minimum side span waterways	35 metres

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order provides for the construction, by the Northern Ireland Railways Company Limited, of a bridge over the navigable waters of the River Lagan, as part of the cross harbour rail link between York Road Station and a point on the railway line between Central Station and Bridge End Station.

The proposed bridge is delineated on the map marked D2/01/26 copies of which have been deposited for inspection at the Belfast Development Office, Clarendon House, 9-21 Adelaide Street, Belfast BT2 8NR, at Northern Ireland Railways Company Ltd. Headquarters, Central Station, East Bridge Street, Belfast BT1 3PB and at Transport Division, Northland House, 3-5a Frederick Street, Belfast BT1 2NR.