



London Government Act 1963

1963 CHAPTER 33

PART II

ROAD TRAFFIC, HIGHWAYS AND MOTOR VEHICLES

17 Metropolitan roads

- (1) The following shall be metropolitan roads, that is to say—
 - (a) subject to subsection (2) of this section, the highways specified in Schedule 7 to this Act;
 - (b) subject as aforesaid, any highway constructed or proposed to be constructed by the Greater London Council the construction of which as a metropolitan road has been approved by the Minister of Transport;
 - (c) any other highway or proposed highway which is for the time being designated as a metropolitan road by an order under subsection (2) of this section or by an order under section 7 of the Highways Act 1959 directing that the highway shall cease to be a trunk road.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3) of this section, the Minister of Transport may, on the application of the Greater London Council, a London borough council or the Common Council, by order designate as a metropolitan road any highway or proposed highway specified in the order or direct that any highway or proposed highway so specified which is for the time being a metropolitan road shall cease to be such a road.
- (3) The council by whom an application for an order under subsection (2) of this section is made shall send a copy of the application to any other council who, if the order were to be made, would become or cease to be the highway authority for the highway in question and, before determining whether or not to make the order, the Minister of Transport shall consider any representation which any such other council may make to him with reference to the making of the order and, if so requested by any such other council, shall hold a local inquiry.
- (4) Where a highway in a London borough or the City becomes (otherwise than by virtue of subsection (1)(a) of this section) or ceases to be a metropolitan road, the council of the borough or the Common Council, as the case may be, and the Greater London

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Council may agree for the transfer to the new highway authority for the highway of such property and liabilities relating thereto of the former highway authority therefor on such terms and conditions as may be specified in the agreement.

- (5) The drains belonging to a highway which is for the time being a metropolitan road shall vest in the Greater London Council and, where any other drain or sewer was, at the date when the highway became a metropolitan road, used for any purpose in connection with the drainage of that highway, that Council shall continue to have the right of using that drain or sewer for that purpose; and any difference arising under this subsection between the Greater London Council and a London borough council or the Common Council as to the council in whom a drain is vested, or as to the use of a drain or sewer, shall, if either council so elect, be referred to and determined by the Minister.

- (6) An order—

- (a) under subsection (2) of this section ; or
- (b) under section 7 of the Highways Act 1959 directing that a highway shall cease to be a trunk road and designating that highway as a metropolitan road,

may be made before 1st April 1965 so as to come into force at any time not earlier than that date.