



# New Roads and Street Works Act 1991

## 1991 CHAPTER 22

### PART III

#### STREET WORKS IN ENGLAND AND WALES

##### *Provisions with respect to particular authorities and undertakings*

#### **86 Highway authorities, highways and related matters.**

(1) In this Part—

“highway authority” and “local highway authority” have the same meaning as in the <sup>M1</sup>Highways Act 1980; and

“maintainable highway” means a highway which for the purposes of that Act is maintainable at the public expense.

[<sup>F1</sup>(1A) In this Part, “strategic highways company” means a company for the time being appointed under Part 1 of the Infrastructure Act 2015.]

(2) In this Part “works for road purposes” means works of any of the following descriptions executed in relation to a highway—

- (a) works for the maintenance of the highway,
- (b) any works under powers conferred by Part V of the Highways Act 1980 (improvement),
- (c) the erection, maintenance, alteration or removal of traffic signs on or near the highway, or
- (d) the construction of a crossing for vehicles across a footway or grass verge or the strengthening or adaptation of a footway for use as a crossing for vehicles,

or works of any corresponding description executed in relation to a street which is not a highway.

(3) In this Part “major highway works” means works of any of the following descriptions executed by the highway authority in relation to a highway which consists of or includes a carriageway—

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- (a) reconstruction or widening of the highway,
  - (b) works carried out in exercise of the powers conferred by section 64 of the Highways Act 1980 (dual carriageways and roundabouts),
  - (c) substantial alteration of the level of the highway,
  - (d) provision, alteration of the position or width, or substantial alteration in the level of a carriageway, footway or cycle track in the highway,
  - (e) the construction or removal of a road hump within the meaning of section 90F of the Highways Act 1980,
  - (f) works carried out in exercise of the powers conferred by section 184 of the Highways Act 1980 (vehicle crossings over footways and verges),
  - (g) provision of a cattle-grid in the highway or works ancillary thereto, or
  - (h) tunnelling or boring under the highway.
- (4) Works executed under section 184(9) of the Highways Act 1980 by a person other than the highway authority shall also be treated for the purposes of this Part as major highway works; and in relation to such works the references in sections 84 and 85 to the highway authority shall be construed as references to him.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 86(1A) inserted (5.3.2015) by [Infrastructure Act 2015 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 57(1), [Sch. 1 para. 121](#); S.I. 2015/481, reg. 2(a)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 3 applied (with modifications) (9.4.2013) by [The Hinkley Point C \(Nuclear Generating Station\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/648\)](#), arts. 1, [9](#) (with arts. 48, 68, 79)
- C2** Pt. 3 modified (9.1.2014) by [The National Grid \(King's Lynn B Power Station Connection\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/3200\)](#), arts. 1, [9\(1\)](#)
- C3** Pt. 3 applied (with modifications) (9.1.2014) by [The Ashton Vale to Temple Meads and Bristol City Centre Rapid Transit Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/3244\)](#), arts. 1, [4\(9\)](#) (with arts. 57, 58, Sch. 11 para. 19)
- C4** Pt. 3 modified (9.1.2014) by [The Ashton Vale to Temple Meads and Bristol City Centre Rapid Transit Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/3244\)](#), arts. 1, [4\(1\)\(2\)](#) (with arts. 57, 58, Sch. 11 para. 19)
- C5** Pt. 3 restricted (6.8.2014) by [The Rampion Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1873\)](#), art. 1, [Sch. 12 Pt. 2 para. 3](#) (with arts. 12, 13, Sch. 12 Pt. 1 paras. 6(3), 19, Pt. 2 paras. 3, 6, 13, Pt. 3 para. 5, Pt. 4 para. 4, Pt. 5 para. 4)
- C6** Pt. 3 modified (24.9.2014) by [The Thames Water Utilities Limited \(Thames Tideway Tunnel\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2384\)](#), arts. 1, [10\(5\)](#), 11(4)
- C7** Pt. 3 applied (with modifications) (2.8.2016) by [The Midland Metro \(Wolverhampton City Centre Extension\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/684\)](#), arts. 1, [5\(1\)\(2\)](#) (with arts. 46, 47, Sch. 8 para. 2(7), Sch. 9 para. 4, Sch. 10 para. 12(2))
- C8** Pt. 3 modified (23.9.2016) by [The M4 Motorway \(Junctions 3 to 12\) \(Smart Motorway\) Development Consent Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/863\)](#), arts. 1, [9\(2\)](#)
- C9** Pt. 3 modified (29.3.2017) by [The Glyn Rhonwy Pumped Storage Generating Station Order 2017 \(S.I. 2017/330\)](#), arts. 1, [12\(1\)](#) (with art. 31)
- C10** Ss. 54-106 applied (28.2.2013) by [The Rookery South \(Resource Recovery Facility\) Order 2011 2013 \(S.I. 2013/680\)](#), [art. 10\(3\)](#)
- C11** Ss. 54-106 applied (9.4.2013) by [The Lancashire County Council \(Torrisholme to the M6 Link \(A683 Completion of Heysham to M6 Link Road\)\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/675\)](#), arts. 1, [9\(2\)](#)
- C12** Ss. 54-106 applied (15.6.2013) by [The Galloper Wind Farm Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/1203\)](#), arts. 1, [13\(3\)](#) (with arts. 11, 12)

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- C13** Ss. 54-106 applied (15.8.2013) by The North Blyth Biomass Power Station Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/1873), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with art. 30)
- C14** Ss. 54-106 applied (7.7.2014) by The East Anglia ONE Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/1599), arts. 1, **8(3)** (with arts. 37, 38, Sch. 9 para. 19)
- C15** Ss. 54-106 applied (6.8.2014) by The Rampion Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/1873), arts. 1, **15(3)** (with arts. 7(6), 12, 13, Sch. 12 Pt. 1 para. 19, Sch. 12 Pt. 2 para. 6, sch. 12 Pt. 3 para. 5, Sch. 12 Pt. 4 para. 4, Sch. 12 Pt. 5 para. 4)
- C16** Ss. 54-106 applied (24.9.2014) by The Thames Water Utilities Limited (Thames Tideway Tunnel) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/2384), arts. 1, **10(4)**, 11(5) (with arts. 55, 56)
- C17** Ss. 54-106 applied (2.10.2014) by The North Killingholme (Generating Station) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/2434), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with arts. 6, 9(4), 13, Sch. 8 Pt. 1 para. 6, Sch. 8 Pt. 3 paras. 4(3), 6, 17, Sch. 8 Pt. 5 para. 9)
- C18** Ss. 54-106 applied (29.10.2014) by The Able Marine Energy Park Development Consent Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/2935), **art. 15(3)** (with arts. 30(4), 53)
- C19** Ss. 54-106 applied (28.11.2014) by The Walney Extension Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/2950), arts. 1, **10(3)** (with arts. 38, 39)
- C20** Ss. 54-106 applied (7.1.2015) by The Willington C Gas Pipeline Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/3328), arts. 1, **10(3)**
- C21** Ss. 54-106 applied (2.2.2015) by The Northumberland County Council (A1 – South East Northumberland Link Road (Morpeh Northern Bypass)) Development Consent Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/23), arts. 1, **9(2)**
- C22** Ss. 54-106 applied (26.2.2015) by The Cornwall Council (A30 Temple to Higher Carblake Improvement) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/147), arts. 1, **9(3)**
- C23** Ss. 54-106 applied (11.3.2015) by The Dogger Bank Creyke Beck Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/318), arts. 1, **13(3)** (with arts. 8(5), 35, 40, 41, **Sch. 12 Pt. 1 paras. 4, 9(2), 10, Pt. 2 paras. 4(2)(3), 19, Pt. 4 paras. 3, 4, 16**)
- C24** Ss. 54-106 applied (1.4.2015) by The Knottingley Power Plant Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/680), arts. 1, **10(3)** (with art. 7(6), Sch. 8 para. 10)
- C25** Ss. 54-106 applied (23.6.2015) by The Norfolk County Council (Norwich Northern Distributor Road (A1067 to A47(T))) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1347), arts. 1, **9(2)**
- C26** Ss. 54-106 applied (30.6.2015) by The Swansea Bay Tidal Generating Station Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1386), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with arts. 51, 53)
- C27** Ss. 54-106 applied (7.8.2015) by The Preesall Underground Gas Storage Facility Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1561), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with art. 44)
- C28** Ss. 54-106 applied (14.8.2015) by The Progress Power (Gas Fired Power Station) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1570), arts. 1, **10(3)**
- C29** Ss. 54-106 applied (26.8.2015) by The Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1592), arts. 1, **14(3)** (with arts. 35, 40, 41)
- C30** Ss. 54-106 applied (19.11.2015) by The Ferrybridge Multifuel 2 Power Station Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1832), arts. 1(2), **9(3)**
- C31** Ss. 54-106 applied (30.12.2015) by The Port Talbot Steelworks Generating Station Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1984), arts. 1, **9(3)** (with art. 26)
- C32** Ss. 54-106 applied (with modifications) (25.3.2016) by The Thorpe Marsh Gas Pipeline Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/297), arts. 1, **12(3)** (with art. 39)
- C33** Ss. 54-106 applied (2.8.2016) by The Meaford Gas Fired Generating Station Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/779), arts. 1, **11(3)**
- C34** Ss. 54-106 applied (10.8.2016) by The York Potash Harbour Facilities Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/772), arts. 1, **10(3)** (with arts. 35, 36)
- C35** Ss. 54-106 applied (19.8.2016) by The North Wales Wind Farms Connection Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/818), arts. 1, **10(5)** (with art. 35)
- C36** Ss. 54-106 applied (with modifications) (15.9.2016) by The River Humber Gas Pipeline Replacement Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/853), arts. 1, **11(3)** (with art. 43)

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- C38** Ss. 54-106 applied (27.9.2016) by The Triton Knoll Electrical System Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/880), arts. 1(2), **8(3)** (with arts. 39, 40, Sch. 8 para. 19)
- C39** Ss. 54-106 applied (18.3.2017) by The North London Heat and Power Generating Station Order 2017 (S.I. 2017/215), arts. 1, **10(3)**
- C40** Ss. 54-106 applied (29.3.2017) by The Glyn Rhonwy Pumped Storage Generating Station Order 2017 (S.I. 2017/330), arts. 1, **10(3)** (with art. 31)
- C41** S. 86(3) extended (13.1.1999) by S.I. 1998/3269 art. 4(1)(a)
- C42** S. 86(3) applied (14.3.2002) by The Chester Guided Busway Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/412), **art. 3(1)(a)** (with art. 38)

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