
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force on 22nd December 1992, but only for the limited purposes specified therein, section 47(1) of and Schedule 2 to the Transport and Works Act 1992 (provisions which amend the Highways Act 1980 (c. 66) to enable the Secretary of State to make orders stopping up or diverting footpaths and bridleways crossing railways on the level).

The Order also brings into force on 31st January 1993 the following provisions of the Act—

section 41, which makes provision for the giving of approval by the Secretary of State before new works, plant or equipment may be brought into use;

section 42, which extends the powers of Her Majesty's Railway Inspectorate to all railways, tramways, trolley vehicle systems and systems using prescribed modes of guided transport;

section 47 and Schedule 2, for all remaining purposes, with sections 51 and 64 (which make consequential amendments respectively to the Level Crossings Act 1983 (c. 16) and the Highways Act 1980);

section 48, which enables the Secretary of State by order to require a railway or tramway operator to replace a footpath or bridleway level crossing with a bridge or tunnel in certain circumstances; and

section 61, which brings tramcars within the regulatory provisions of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981 (c. 14).

It also brings into force certain consequential repeals referred to in section 68(1) and Schedule 4