EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes provision for various highways and road traffic matters arising out of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 ("the 1999 Act").

Schedule 22 to the 1999 Act amends Part X of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 so as to enable London borough councils and the Common Council of the City of London, instead of the Secretary of State, to make orders authorising the stopping up of highways. Article 2 makes transitional provision by enabling the Secretary of State to continue to deal with applications for such orders received by him before 3rd July 2000. Article 3(1) applies to Transport for London the requirement to consult the chief officer of police before making a traffic order and the Secretary of State's power to make regulations prescribing the procedure for making traffic orders. Article 3(2) introduces Schedule 1 which makes amendments to the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 so as to apply them to Transport for London and make other consequential amendments.

Article 4 and Schedule 2 prescribe areas in the City of Westminster which, on grounds of national security, are not to be included in a special parking area and article 5 amends the Road Traffic (Parking Adjudicators) (London) Regulations 1993 so as to apply them to decisions made by Transport for London.