

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 15

PROTECTIVE PROVISIONS

PART 6

FOR THE PROTECTION OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS LIMITED

Prior approvals and security

67.—(1) In respect of any specified works being at least 5.5 metres above the surface of the strategic road network (including any temporary oversailing equipment which falls below the 5.5m height temporarily during construction, provided that such equipment's installed position is above 5.5m), such works must not commence until—

- (a) evidence that a stage 1 and stage 2 road safety audit has been carried out and all recommendations raised by them or any exceptions are approved by National Highways;
- (b) the programme of works has been approved by National Highways;
- (c) the reconductoring detailed design of the specified works comprising of the following details, insofar as considered relevant by National Highways, has been submitted to and approved by National Highways—
 - (i) the detailed design information, including scaffolding to oversail the strategic road network, incorporating all recommendations and any exceptions approved by National Highways under sub-paragraph (a);
 - (ii) details of the proposed road space bookings;
 - (iii) the identity and suitability of the contractor and nominated persons;
 - (iv) a process for stakeholder liaison, with key stakeholders to be identified and agreed between National Highways and the undertaker;
 - (v) information demonstrating that the walking, cycling and horse riding assessment and review process undertaken by the undertaker in relation to the specified works has been adhered to in accordance with DMRB GG142 – Designing for walking, cycling and horse riding; and
- (d) where necessary, a scheme of traffic management has been submitted by the undertaker and approved by National Highways such scheme to be capable of amendment by agreement between the undertaker and National Highways from time to time, unless otherwise agreed by National Highways.

(2) In respect of specified works save for those which fall under sub-paragraph (1), such works must not commence until—

- (a) a stage 1 and stage 2 road safety audit has been carried out and all recommendations raised by them or any exceptions are approved by National Highways;
- (b) the programme of works has been approved by National Highways;

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- (c) the detailed design of the specified works comprising of the following details, insofar as considered relevant by National Highways, has been submitted to and approved by National Highways—
 - (i) the highway detailed design information, incorporating all recommendations and any exceptions approved by National Highways under sub-paragraph (a);
 - (ii) details of the proposed road space bookings;
 - (iii) the identity and suitability of the contractor and nominated persons;
 - (iv) a process for stakeholder liaison, with key stakeholders to be identified and agreed between National Highways and the undertaker;
 - (v) information demonstrating that the walking, cycling and horse riding assessment and review process undertaken by the undertaker in relation to the specified works has been adhered to in accordance with DMRB GG142 – Designing for walking, cycling and horse riding; and
 - (d) a scheme of traffic management has been submitted by the undertaker and approved by National Highways such scheme to be capable of amendment by agreement between the undertaker and National Highways from time to time;
 - (e) stakeholder liaison has taken place in accordance with the process for such liaison agreed between the undertaker and National Highways under sub-paragraph (c)(v) above;
 - (f) National Highways has approved the audit brief and CVs for all road safety audits and exceptions to items raised in accordance with the road safety audit standard;
 - (g) the undertaker has agreed the estimate of the commuted sum with National Highways;
 - (h) the scope of all maintenance operations (routine inspections, incident management, reactive and third party damage) to be carried out by the undertaker during the construction of the specified works (which must include winter maintenance) has been agreed in writing by National Highways;
 - (i) the undertaker has procured to National Highways collateral warranties in a form reasonably approved by National Highways from the contractor and designer of the specified works in favour of National Highways to include covenants requiring the contractor and designer to exercise all reasonable skill care and diligence in designing and constructing the specified works, including in the selection of materials, goods, equipment and plant; and
 - (j) a condition survey and regime of monitoring of any National Highways assets or structures that National Highways considers will be affected by the specified works, has been agreed in writing by National Highways,
unless otherwise agreed by National Highways.
- (3) The undertaker must not exercise—
- (a) article 14 (temporary closure of streets, cycle tracks and public rights of way);
 - (b) article 19 (discharge of water);
 - (c) article 20 (protective works to buildings);
 - (d) article 21 (authority to survey and investigate the land);
 - (e) article 45(2) (Traffic regulation) of this Order,
- over any part of the strategic road network without the consent of National Highways, and National Highways may in connection with any such exercise require the undertaker to provide details of any proposed road space bookings and/or submit a scheme of traffic management for National Highways' approval. The undertaker must provide 28 days' notice of the exercise of Article 45(1) (Traffic regulation) and National Highways may in connection with any such exercise require the

undertaker to provide details of any proposed road space bookings and/or submit a scheme of traffic management for National Highways' approval.

(4) National Highways must prior to the commencement of the specified works or the exercise of any power referenced in sub-paragraph (3) inform the undertaker of the identity of the person who will act as a point of contact on behalf of National Highways for consideration of the information required under sub-paragraph (1), (2), (3) or (4).

(5) Any approval of National Highways required under this paragraph—

- (a) must not be unreasonably withheld;
- (b) must be given in writing;
- (c) may be subject to any conditions as National Highways considers necessary;
- (d) in respect of any approval under sub-paragraph (1), must be given by the end of the period of 28 days, beginning with the date on which any request for approval has been made and if National Highways has not intimated disapproval of those works and the grounds of disapproval within that period, the undertaker may serve upon National Highways written notice requiring National Highways to intimate approval or disapproval within a further period of 28 days beginning with the date upon which National Highways receives written notice from the undertaker; and
- (e) in respect of any approval under sub-paragraph (2), shall be deemed to have been refused if neither given nor refused within 56 days of receipt of the information for approval or, where further particulars are requested by National Highways within 56 days of receipt of the information to which the request for further particulars relate.

(6) Any change to the identity of the contractor and/or designer of the specified works will be notified to National Highways immediately and details of their suitability to deliver the specified works will be provided on request and in respect of any specified works under sub-paragraph (2), collateral warranties in a form agreed by National Highways will be provided.

(7) Any change to the detailed design of the specified works must be approved by National Highways in accordance with this paragraph.