

2014 No. 1331

HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND

**The A21 Trunk Road (Tonbridge to Pembury Dualling) Order
2014**

Made - - - - 23rd May 2014

Coming into force - - 27th May 2014

The Secretary of State for Transport in exercise of powers conferred by sections 10 and 41 of the Highways Act 1980(a), and now vested in the Secretary of State(b), makes the following Order.

1. This Order may be cited as the A21 Trunk Road (Tonbridge to Pembury Dualling) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 27th May 2014.

2. In this Order—

(1) all measurements of distance are measured along the route of the relevant highway; and

(2) —

- (a) “the new main road” means the new highway which the Secretary of State proposes to construct along the route described in Schedule 1 to this Order;
- (b) “the slip roads” means the new highways which the Secretary of State proposes to construct along the routes described in Schedule 2 to this Order and which connect the new main road with other highways at the places stated in that Schedule.
- (c) “the new trunk roads” means the new main road and the slip roads;
- (d) “the plan” means the plan numbered HA 14/MP/084 marked “The A21 Trunk Road (Tonbridge to Pembury Dualling) Order 2014”, signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport and deposited at Document Deposit Service, Communities and Local Government, Floor 13 (IMD), Ashdown House, St Leonards on Sea, Hastings, East Sussex TN37 7GA.

3. The new main road and the slip roads shall become trunk roads from the date when this Order comes into force.

4. The centre lines of the new trunk road are indicated by a heavy black line on the plan.

5. The Secretary of State directs as respects any part of a highway which crosses the route of the new trunk roads that—

- (a) where the highway is maintainable at the public expense by a local highway authority, the part in question shall be maintained by that authority, and
- (b) where the highway is not so maintainable and is not maintainable under a special enactment or by reason of tenure, enclosure or prescription, the Secretary of State shall be under no duty to maintain the part in question,

(a) 1980 c. 66

(b) S.I. 1981/238 and S.I. 2002/2626

until, in either case, a date to be specified in a notice given by the Secretary of State to the highway authority for that highway. The date specified will not be later than the date on which the relevant route is opened for traffic.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

23rd May 2014

Chris Taylor
A Divisional Director
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SCHEDULE 1

Article 2(2)(a)

ROUTE OF THE NEW MAIN ROAD

The route of the new main road is 4.1km in length, starting at a point on the existing A21 Trunk Road 310 metres north west of its junction with the A2014 Pembury Road and proceeding in a generally southwards direction to a point on the existing A21 Trunk Road 627 metres south of its junction with Longfield Road and Tonbridge Road, all in the Boroughs of Tonbridge and Malling, and Tunbridge Wells in the County of Kent. The route of the new trunk road is given the letter A on the Plan.

SCHEDULE 2

Article 2(2)(b)

ROUTES OF THE SLIP ROADS

1. The routes of the slip roads are as follows—
 - (a) Junction with A2014 Pembury Road at Tonbridge.

A route from the southbound A2014 Pembury Road to the southbound carriageway of the new main road which the Secretary of State proposes to construct as part of the A21 Tonbridge to Pembury Dualling (the slip road along this route being given the number 1 on the plan);
 - (b) Proposed Fairthorne Junction at Dislingbury Road
 - (i) two routes to connect the southbound carriageway of the new main road with the new bridge under the new main road forming part of a junction which the Secretary of State proposes to construct at Dislingbury Road (the slip roads along this route being respectively given the numbers 2 and 3 on the plan), and
 - (ii) two routes to connect the northbound carriageway of the new main road with the new bridge under the new main road forming part of a junction which the Secretary of State proposes to construct at Dislingbury Road (the slip roads along this route being respectively given the numbers 4 and 5 on the plan);
 - (c) Proposed Junction with Pembury Road, Tonbridge Road and Longfield Road at Pembury
 - (i) a route from the southbound carriageway of the new main road to a new roundabout forming part of a junction which the Secretary of State proposes to construct at Pembury (the slip road along this route being given the number 6 on the plan),
 - (ii) a route from the said new roundabout which the Secretary of State proposes to construct at Pembury to the southbound carriageway of the new main road (the slip road along this route being given the number 7 on the plan),
 - (iii) a route from the northbound carriageway of the new main road to a new roundabout forming part of a junction which the Secretary of State proposes to construct at Pembury (the slip road along this route being given the number 8 on site plan 3), and
 - (iv) a route from the said new roundabout which the Secretary of State proposes to construct at Pembury to the northbound carriageway of the new main road (the slip road along this route being given the number 9 on the plan).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Secretary of State for Transport proposes to improve the A21 trunk road between Tonbridge and Pembury. This Order will fix the line for construction of the new main road and of the slip roads which will form part of the new junctions between the A21 Trunk Road, Dislingbury Road and Longfield Road and Tonbridge Road south of Tonbridge at Pembury.