

**DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT
AND
DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

ACQUISITION OF LAND ACT 1981**

- 1. THE A5 TRUNK ROAD (A5 - M1 LINK DUNSTABLE NORTHERN BYPASS) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER NO. 1. 20**
- 2. THE A5 TRUNK ROAD (A5 - M1 LINK DUNSTABLE NORTHERN BYPASS) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER NO. 2. 20**
- 3. THE A5 TRUNK ROAD (A5 - M1 LINK DUNSTABLE NORTHERN BYPASS) ORDER 20**
- 4. THE A5 TRUNK ROAD (A5 - M1 LINK DUNSTABLE NORTHERN BYPASS) (DETRUNKING) ORDER 20**
- 5. THE A5 TRUNK ROAD (A5 - M1 LINK DUNSTABLE NORTHERN BYPASS) SIDE ROADS ORDER NO.1. 20**
- 6. THE A5 TRUNK ROAD (A5 - M1 LINK DUNSTABLE NORTHERN BYPASS) SIDE ROADS ORDER NO.2. 20**
- 7. THE M1 MOTORWAY (A5 - M1 LINK DUNSTABLE NORTHERN BYPASS CONNECTING ROADS) SCHEME 20**
- 8. INTENTION TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTION 19(1) (b) OF THE ACQUISITION OF LAND ACT 1981**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Public Local Inquiries will be held at Superdrug Stores Plc., Distribution Centre, Unit 1, Prologis Park, Arenson Way, Dunstable LU5 4RZ starting at 10am on 29th June 2010 into

1. the Secretary of State for Transport's proposal to make the Scheme and Orders listed below, and into the objections which he has received in connection with that proposal; and
2. the proposal by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government to grant a certificate under Section 19 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 that he is satisfied that it is unnecessary to give other land in exchange for open space land included in the compulsory purchase order mentioned at item 1 below.

Plot No	Description of the Order Land
3/2	160 square metres Grassland, west of the M1 Motorway, north of and adjoining Kestrel Way.
3/2A	17 square metres Grassland, west of the M1 Motorway, north of and adjoining Kestrel Way.
3/2B	19 square metres Grassland, west of the M1 Motorway, north of and adjoining Kestrel Way.

THE INQUIRIES will be held by Bob Lyon MA CENG MRTPI FCIHT, a person appointed, on the nomination of the Planning Inspectorate, by the Secretary of State for Transport and the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government for the purpose of the inquiries into the Scheme and Orders, and for the purpose of the inquiry in connection with the application for the certificate mentioned below.

THE SCHEME AND ORDERS in question are:-

1. The A5 Trunk Road (A5-M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass) Compulsory Purchase Order No.1. 20..., and the A5 Trunk Road (A5-M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass) Compulsory Purchase Order No.2. 20..., which was published in draft on 9th December 2009. These are orders under sections 239, 240, 246 and 250 of the Highways Act 1980 and section 2 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 which, if made, would authorise the Secretary of State for Transport to purchase compulsorily the land rights over land described in the Schedules to the Orders for the purpose of

- a) the construction of the new trunk road in the Parishes of Houghton Regis, Chalgrave and Chalton in Central Bedfordshire, all in the County of Bedfordshire in pursuance of the Trunk Road Order;
- b) the construction and improvement of highways and the provision of new means of access to premises in those parishes in pursuance of the A5 Trunk Road (A5-M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass) Side Roads Order No 1;
- c) the improvement of the Trunk Road in those parishes;
- d) the diversion of watercourses and the execution of other works on watercourses in connection with the construction of the new trunk road and the construction and improvement of other highways;
- e) use by the Secretary of State for Transport in connection with such construction and improvement of highways and the execution of other works mentioned above; and
- f) the mitigation of any adverse effects which the existence or use of the highways proposed to be constructed or improved will have on their surroundings.

2. The A5 Trunk Road (A5- M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass) Order 20.. , which was published in draft on 9th December 2009. This is an order under sections 10 and 41 of the Highways Act 1980 which, if made, would provide that roads the Secretary of State proposes to construct along a route from a point on the A5 Trunk Road about 400 metres north of Thorn Road to a new proposed M1 Junction J11A southeast of Sundon Road Railway Bridge in Chalton, Central Bedfordshire shall become trunk roads. Also that a route from the existing A5 Trunk Road near its junction with Thorn Road at Houghton Regis in Central Bedfordshire to the north east bound carriageway of the new main trunk road, leading from a new junction with the A5, which the Secretary of State proposes to construct shall become a trunk road.

3. The A5 Trunk Road (Dunstable Northern Bypass) (Detrunking Order) 20.., which was published in draft on 9th December 2009 . This is an order under sections 10 of the Highways Act 1980 which, if made, would provide that a length of the A5 Trunk Road between its junction with Thorn Road at Houghton Regis in Central Bedfordshire and

Chequers Hill at Flamstead in Hertfordshire shall cease to be a trunk road and shall be classified as a road from the date on which the Secretary of State for Transport notifies the Council that the new trunk road on the main route is open for traffic.

4. The A5 Trunk Road (A5 – M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass) Side Roads Order No. 1. 20..., and The A5 Trunk Road (A5 - M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass) Side Roads Order No. 2. 20..., which were published in draft on 9th December 2009. These are orders under sections 12, 14 and 125 of the Highways Act 1980 which, if made, would –
 - (a) authorise the Secretary of State for Transport to improve highways, stop up highways, construct new highways, stop up private means of access to premises and provide new means of access to premises, in the vicinity of the route of The A5 Trunk Road (A5- M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass) at the following locations:
 - i) Thorn Road and the A5(T)/A505 Roundabout;
 - ii) north-west of Thorn Farm;
 - iii) A5120 Bedford Road;
 - iv) south-east of Grove Farm;
 - v) west of Sundon Road;
 - vi) Sundon Road;
 - vii) B579 Luton Road; and
 - viii) Kestral Way,in Central Bedfordshire and Luton Borough; and
 - (b) provide for the transfer of each new highway to the Central Bedfordshire Council as highway authority.
5. The M1 Motorway (A5 – M1 Link Dunstable Northern Bypass Connecting Roads) Scheme 20.., which was published in draft on 9th December 2009 . This is a scheme under sections 16, 17 and 19 of the Highways Act 1980 which, if made, would authorise the Secretary of State to provide two routes to connect the northbound M1 Motorway with a roundabout and two routes to connect the southbound M1 Motorway with a roundabout the Secretary of State proposes to construct as part of a new Junction 11A with A5- M1 Link (Dunstable Northern Bypass) at Chalton in Central Bedfordshire and special roads for the exclusive use of traffic of Classes I and II of the classes set out in Schedule 4 to the Highways Act 1980, and provide for each of those roads to become a trunk road on the date when the Scheme comes into force.

PROCEEDINGS on the draft Scheme and Orders are being taken concurrently in accordance with section 257 of, and paragraph 20 in Schedule 1 to, the Highways Act 1980.

COPIES of the draft Scheme and Orders and of the plans referred to in them have been deposited and may be seen at all reasonable hours free of charge, at the Highways Agency, Manton Lane, Manton Lane Industrial Estate, Bedford, MK14 7LW; Government Office for the East of England, Eastbrook, Shaftesbury Road, Cambridge, CB2 8DF; Central Bedfordshire Council, The Council Offices, High Street North, Dunstable, LU6 1LF; Bedford Borough Council, Borough Hall, Caudwell Street, Bedford, MK42 9AP; Luton Borough Council, Town Hall, George Street, Luton, Bedfordshire, LU1 2BQ; Houghton Regis Town Council, Council Offices, Peel Street, Houghton Regis, Bedfordshire, LU5 5EY; Dunstable Town Council, Grove House, 76 High Street North, Dunstable, Bedfordshire, LU6 1NF and at the Highways Agency, 5 Broadway, Broad Street, Birmingham B15 1BL, until 14th May 2010 and then at the Highways Agency, The Cube, 199 Wharfside Street, Birmingham B1 1RN.

THE INSPECTOR will hear representations from remaining objectors, as defined in the Compulsory Purchase (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 2007 so far as concerns the Orders numbered 1 and 2 above, and statutory objectors as defined in the Highways (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 1994 so far as concerns the Scheme and other Orders named above. He will also, at his discretion, hear representations from any other persons who may desire to appear and be heard.

OBJECTORS are reminded that the substance of any objection or representation may be communicated to other people who may be affected by it; that it will be passed to the Inspector holding the inquiries; and that he may be required to disclose at the inquiries the objection or representation and, unless there are special reasons to the contrary, the identity of the author.

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