

DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

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IMPROVEMENT SIDE ROADS) ORDER 20**

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT DETERMINATION BY THE
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT UNDER SECTION 105A(3) OF
THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980**

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT hereby gives notice that he proposes to make the following Orders:

1. An Order under sections 10, 12 and 41 of the Highways Act 1980 which will:
 - (1) provide that roads which he proposes to construct along the following routes shall become trunk roads from the date when the Order comes into force:
 - (a) a route ("the main route") 2.85 kilometres in length, from a point on the existing A14 Trunk Road 300 metres east of Haughley Bushes accommodation bridge to a point on the Trunk Road at its junction with Shepherds Lane U4502 in the County of Suffolk; and
 - (b) four slip roads to connect the main route with other highways at a new junction to be constructed opposite Tot Hill Farm;
 - (2) provide that lengths of the Trunk Road to be superseded by the new trunk road on the main route shall cease to be trunk road, and shall be classified as classified roads, as from the date on which the Secretary of State for Transport notifies the Suffolk County Council (who will become the highway authority responsible for those lengths) that the new trunk road on the main route is open for traffic.
2. An Order under sections 12, 14 and 125 of the Highways Act 1980, in relation to the A14 Trunk Road and the new trunk roads to be

constructed by him at Haughley New Street and Stowmarket in the County of Suffolk, which will:

- (1) authorise him to:
 - (a) improve highways,
 - (b) stop-up highways,
 - (c) construct new highways
 - (d) stop-up private means of access to premises,
 - (e) provide new means of access to premises,all in the vicinity of the new road on the main route; and
- (2) provide for the transfer of each new highway to the Suffolk County Council as highway authority as from the date on which he notifies them that it has been completed and is open for traffic.

3. The Secretary of State also hereby gives notice that he has determined that his proposal to realign the A14 Trunk Road between Haughley New Street and Stowmarket, which is a relevant project within the meaning of section 105A(1) of the Highways Act 1980 is subject to environmental impact assessment in accordance with part VA of the Highways Act 1980, implementing Directive 85/337/EEC as amended by Directive 97/11/EC.

COPIES of each draft Order and the plans referred to in it and of the environmental statement which the Secretary of State for Transport has published in relation to the construction of the new highways and the improvement of existing highways referred to in the draft Orders numbered 1 and 2 above, may be inspected free of charge at all reasonable hours from 31 March 2006 until 26 May 2006, or within eight weeks from the date of first publication of this notice if that period expires later, at the Highways Agency, Heron House, 49-53 Goldington Road, Bedford MK40 3LL; Suffolk County Council, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, Suffolk IP1 2BX; Mid Suffolk District Council, Council Offices, 131 High Street, Needham Market, Ipswich, Suffolk IP6 8DL; Stowmarket Library, Milton Road, Stowmarket, Suffolk IP14 1EX and at Haughley Post Office, 2 Old Street, Haughley, Stowmarket, Suffolk IP14 3NR.

ANY PERSON MAY OBJECT to the making of any of these Orders not later than 26 May 2006, or within eight weeks from the date of first publication of this notice if that period expires later, by notice to the Secretary of State for Transport at the offices of the Highways Agency, Heron House, 49-53

Goldington Road, Bedford MK40 3LL, marked for the attention of Rebecca Shuker and quoting reference HA 65/019/113 and stating the grounds of objection. In the preparation of an objection and the statement of grounds of objection, it should be borne in mind that the substance of any objection or representation may be communicated to other people who may be affected by it.

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