

THE PLANNING ACT 2008

**M4 (JUNCTIONS 3 TO 12) (SMART MOTORWAY) DEVELOPMENT
CONSENT ORDER APPLICATION**

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**Comments on Examining Authority's Draft
Development Consent Order**

**Appendix A - South East Water Protective
Provisions**

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PROTECTIVE PROVISIONS

PART 4

For the protection of South East Water

1. For the protection of the protected persons referred to in this Part of this Schedule the following provisions have effect, unless otherwise agreed in writing between the undertaker and the protected person concerned.

2. In this Part of this Schedule—

“alternative apparatus” means alternative apparatus adequate to enable the protected person in question to fulfil its statutory functions in a manner no less efficient than previously;

“apparatus” means mains, pipes, well, boreholes, tanks, service reservoirs, pumping stations (and any accessories thereof) or other apparatus, structure or treatment works belonging to or maintained by that undertaker for the purposes of water supply;

“functions” includes powers and duties;

“in”, in a context referring to apparatus or alternative apparatus in land, includes a reference to apparatus or alternative apparatus under, over or upon land;

“plan” includes all designs, drawings, specifications, method statements, soil reports, programmes, calculations, risk assessments and other documents that are reasonably necessary properly and sufficiently to describe the works to be executed;

“protected person” means South East Water Limited, company number 02679874, whose registered office is at Rocfort Road, Snodland, Kent, ME6 5AH;

for the area of the authorised development, and in relation to any apparatus, means the protected person to whom it belongs or by whom it is maintained.

On street apparatus

3. This Part of this Schedule does not apply to apparatus in respect of which the relations between the undertaker and the protected person are regulated by the provisions of Part 3 (street works in England and Wales) of the 1991 Act.

Apparatus in stopped up streets

4.—(1) Where any street is stopped up under article 13 (permanent stopping up of streets), any protected person whose apparatus is in the street has the same powers and rights in respect of that apparatus as it enjoyed immediately before the stopping up and the undertaker must grant to the protected person legal easements reasonably satisfactory to the protected person in respect of such apparatus and access to it, but nothing in this paragraph affects any right of the undertaker or of the protected person to require the removal of that apparatus under paragraph 7 or the power of the undertaker to carry out works under paragraph 9.

(2) Regardless of the temporary stopping up or diversion of any highway under the powers conferred by article 14 (temporary stopping up of streets and restriction of use of streets), a protected person is at liberty at all times to take all necessary access across any such stopped up highway and to execute and do all such works and things in, upon or under any such highway as may be reasonably necessary or desirable to enable it to maintain any apparatus which at the time of the stopping up or diversion was in that highway.

Protective works to buildings

5. The undertaker, in the case of the powers conferred by article 18 (protective work to buildings), must exercise those powers so as not to obstruct or render less convenient the access to any apparatus.

Acquisition of land

6. Regardless of any provision in this Order or anything shown on the land plans, the undertaker must not acquire any apparatus otherwise than by agreement.

Removal of apparatus

7.—(1) If, in the exercise of the powers conferred by this Order, the undertaker acquires any interest in any land in which any apparatus is placed or over which access to any apparatus is enjoyed or requires that the protected person's apparatus is relocated or diverted, that apparatus must not be removed under this Part of this Schedule, and any right of a protected person to maintain that apparatus in that land and to gain access to it must not be extinguished, until alternative apparatus has been constructed and is in operation, and access to it has been provided, to the reasonable satisfaction of the protected person in question in accordance with subparagraphs (2) to (7).

(2) If, for the purpose of executing any works in, on or under any land purchased, held, appropriated or used under this Order, the undertaker requires the removal of any apparatus placed in that land, the undertaker must give to the protected person in question 56 days' written notice of that requirement, together with a plan of the work proposed, and of the proposed position of the alternative apparatus to be provided or constructed and in that case (or if in consequence of the exercise of any of the powers conferred by this Order an undertaker reasonably needs to remove any of its apparatus) the undertaker must, subject to sub-paragraph (3), afford to the protected person the necessary facilities and rights for the construction of alternative apparatus in other land of the undertaker and subsequently for the maintenance of that apparatus.

(3) If alternative apparatus or any part of such apparatus is to be constructed elsewhere than in other land of the undertaker, or the undertaker is unable to afford such facilities and rights as are mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) in the land in which the alternative apparatus or part of such apparatus is to be constructed the protected person must, on receipt of a written notice to that effect from the undertaker, as soon as reasonably possible use its best endeavours to obtain the necessary facilities and rights in the land in which the alternative apparatus is to be constructed.

(4) Any alternative apparatus to be constructed in land of the undertaker under this Part of this Schedule must be constructed in such manner and in such line or situation as may be agreed between the protected person in question and the undertaker or in default of agreement settled by arbitration in accordance with article 46 (arbitration).

(5) The protected person in question must, after the alternative apparatus to be provided or constructed has been agreed or settled by arbitration in accordance with article 46 (arbitration), and after the grant to the protected person of any such facilities and rights as are referred to in subparagraphs (2) or (3), proceed without unnecessary delay to construct and bring into operation the alternative apparatus and subsequently to remove any apparatus required by the undertaker to be removed under the provisions of this Part of this Schedule.

(6) Regardless of anything in sub-paragraph (5), if the undertaker gives notice in writing to the protected person in question that the undertaker intends to execute any work, or part of any work in connection with the construction or removal of apparatus in any land of the undertaker, that work, instead of being executed by the protected person, must be executed by the undertaker without unnecessary delay under the superintendence, if given, and to the reasonable satisfaction of the protected person.

(7) Nothing in sub-paragraph (6) authorises the undertaker to execute the placing, installation, bedding, packing, removal, connection or disconnection of any apparatus, or execute any filling around the apparatus (where the apparatus is laid in a trench) within—

- (a) 300 millimetres of apparatus other than oil apparatus; and
- (b) 3000 millimetres of oil apparatus.

Facilities and rights for alternative apparatus

8.—(1) Where, in accordance with the provisions of this Part of this Schedule, the undertaker affords to a protected person facilities and rights for the construction and maintenance in land of the undertaker of alternative apparatus in substitution for apparatus to be removed, those facilities and rights are to be granted upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed between the undertaker and the protected person in question or in default of agreement settled by arbitration in accordance with article 46 (arbitration).

(2) In settling those terms and conditions in respect of alternative apparatus the arbitrator must—

- (a) give effect to all reasonable requirements of the undertaker for ensuring the safety and efficient operation of the authorised development and for securing any subsequent alterations or adaptations of the alternative apparatus which may be required to prevent interference with any proposed works of the undertaker or the traffic on the highway; and
- (b) so far as it may be reasonable and practicable to do so in the circumstances of the particular case, give effect to the terms and conditions, if any, applicable to the apparatus for which the alternative apparatus is to be substituted.

(3) If the facilities and rights to be afforded by the undertaker in respect of any alternative apparatus, and the terms and conditions subject to which those facilities and rights are to be granted, are in the opinion of the arbitrator less favourable on the whole to the protected person in question than the facilities and rights enjoyed by it in respect of the apparatus to be removed and the terms and conditions to which those facilities and rights are subject, the arbitrator must make such provision for the payment of compensation by the undertaker to that protected person as appears to the arbitrator to be reasonable having regard to all the circumstances of the particular case.

Retained apparatus

9.—(1) Not less than 56 days before starting the execution of any works in, on or under any land purchased, held, appropriated or used under this Order that are near to, or will or may affect, any apparatus the removal of which has not been required by the undertaker under paragraph 7(2), the undertaker must submit to the protected person in question a plan of the works to be executed together with such method statement(s) as are sufficient to allow the protected person acting reasonably to assess the potential impact of the works on the performance of its functions.

(2) Those works must be executed only in accordance with the plan and method statement(s) submitted under sub-paragraph (1) and in accordance with such reasonable requirements as may be made in accordance with sub-paragraph (3) by the protected person for the alteration or otherwise for the protection of the apparatus and of its operation, or for securing access to it, and the protected person is entitled to watch and inspect the execution of those works.

(3) Any requirements made by a protected person under sub-paragraph (2) must be made within a period of 21 days beginning with the date on which a plan under sub-paragraph (1) is submitted to it.

(4) If a protected person in accordance with sub-paragraph (3) and in consequence of the works proposed by the undertaker, reasonably requires the removal of any apparatus and gives written notice to the undertaker of that requirement, paragraphs 1 to 3 and 6 to 8 apply as if the removal of the apparatus had been required by the undertaker under paragraph 7(2).

(5) Nothing in this paragraph precludes the undertaker from submitting at any time or from time to time, but in no case less than 28 days before commencing the execution of any works, a new plan instead of the plan previously submitted, and having done so the provisions of this paragraph apply to and in respect of the new plan.

(6) The undertaker is not required to comply with sub-paragraph (1) in a case of emergency but in that case must give to the protected person in question notice as soon as is reasonably practicable and a plan of those works and sufficient method statement(s) as soon as reasonably practicable subsequently and must comply with sub-paragraph (1) in so far as is reasonably practicable in the circumstances.

Expenses and costs

10.—(1) Subject to the following provisions of this paragraph, the undertaker must repay to a protected person all expenses reasonably incurred by that protected person in, or in connection with, the inspection, removal, alteration or protection of any apparatus or the construction of any new apparatus which may be required in consequence of the execution of any such works as are referred to in paragraph 7(2), including any costs reasonably incurred in connection with the acquisition of rights under paragraph 7(3), and in watching and inspecting the execution of works under paragraph 9(2) and in making reasonable requirements under paragraph 9(3).

(2) There is to be deducted from any sum payable under sub-paragraph (1) the value of any apparatus removed under the provisions of this Part of this Schedule, that value being calculated after removal.

(3) If in accordance with the provisions of this Part of this Schedule—

- (a) apparatus of better type, of greater capacity or of greater dimensions is placed in substitution for existing apparatus of worse type, of smaller capacity or of smaller dimensions; or
- (b) apparatus (whether existing apparatus or apparatus substituted for existing apparatus) is placed at a depth greater than the depth at which the existing apparatus was situated, and the placing of apparatus of that type or capacity or of those dimensions or the placing of apparatus at that depth, as the case may be, is not agreed by the undertaker or, in default of agreement, is not determined by arbitration in accordance with article 46 (arbitration) to be necessary, then, if such placing involves cost in the construction of works under this Part of this Schedule exceeding that which would have been involved if the apparatus placed had been of the existing type, capacity or dimensions, or at the existing depth, as the case may be, the amount which apart from this sub-paragraph would be payable to the protected person in question by virtue of sub-paragraph (1) is to be reduced by the amount of that excess.

(4) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (3)—

- (a) an extension of apparatus to a length greater than the length of existing apparatus is not to be treated as a placing of apparatus of greater dimensions than those of the existing apparatus; and
- (b) where the provision of a joint in a pipe or cable is agreed, or is determined to be necessary, the consequential provision of a jointing chamber or of a manhole is to be treated as if it also had been agreed or had been so determined.

(5) An amount which apart from this sub-paragraph would be payable to a protected person in respect of works by virtue of sub-paragraph (1), if the works include the placing of apparatus provided in substitution for apparatus placed more than 7 years and 6 months earlier so as to confer on the protected person any financial benefit by deferment of the time for renewal of the apparatus in the ordinary course, is to be reduced by the amount which represents that benefit.

11.—(1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (2) and (3), if by reason or in consequence of the construction of the authorised development or any such works referred to in paragraphs 5, 7(2), or 9(1), or by reason of any subsidence resulting from such development or works, any damage is caused to any apparatus or alternative apparatus (other than apparatus the repair of which is not reasonably necessary in view of its intended removal for the purposes of those works) or property of a protected person, or there is any interruption in any service provided or of any access to any apparatus, or in the supply of any goods or services by any protected person or the performance of that protected person's functions, or any disruption to the normal operation of the apparatus of a protected person resulting in an increase in the costs incurred by that protected person in performing its functions or in any loss, damages or penalty, the undertaker must—

- (a) bear and pay the cost reasonably incurred by that protected person in making good such damage or restoring the supply; and
- (b) make reasonable compensation to that protected person for any other expenses, loss, damages, penalty or costs incurred by the undertaker, by reason or in consequence of any such damage, interruption or disruption.

(2) The fact that any act or thing may have been done by a protected person on behalf of the undertaker or in accordance with a plan approved by a protected person or in accordance with any requirement of a protected person or under its supervision does not, subject to subparagraph (3), excuse the undertaker from liability under the provisions of sub-paragraph (1).

(3) Nothing in sub-paragraph (1) imposes any liability on the undertaker with respect to any damage or interruption to the extent that it is attributable to the act, neglect or default of a protected person, its officers, servants, contractors or agents.

(4) A protected person must give the undertaker reasonable notice of any such claim or demand and no settlement or compromise is to be made without the consent of the undertaker who, if withholding such consent, has the sole conduct of any settlement or compromise or of any proceedings necessary to resist the claim or demand.

Co-operation

12. Where in consequence of the proposed construction of any of the authorised development, the undertaker or a protected person requires the removal of apparatus under paragraph 7(2) or a protected person makes requirements for the protection or alteration of apparatus under paragraph 9, the undertaker must use best endeavours to co-ordinate the execution of the works in the interests of safety and the efficient and economic execution of the authorised development and taking into account the need to ensure the safe and efficient operation of the protected person's undertaking and each protected person must use its best endeavours to co-operate with the undertaker for that purpose.

13. Nothing in this Part of this Schedule affects the provisions of any enactment or agreement regulating the relations between the undertaker and a protected person in respect of any apparatus laid or erected in land belonging to the undertaker on the date on which this Order is made.