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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2014 No. 1666**

**HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND**

**The Reading Borough Council (River  
Thames Reading Pedestrian/Cycle Bridge)  
Scheme 2013 Confirmation Instrument 2014**

*Made - - - - 24th June 2014*

*Coming into force in accordance with article 1*

The Secretary of State for Transport makes this Instrument in exercise of powers conferred by section 106(3) of the Highways Act 1980(1) and now vested in the Secretary of State(2):

1. This Instrument may be cited as “The Reading Borough Council (River Thames Reading Pedestrian/Cycle Bridge) Scheme 2013 Confirmation Instrument 2014” and shall come into force on the date on which notice that it has been confirmed is first published in accordance with paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 to the Highways Act 1980.

2. The Reading Borough Council (River Thames Reading Pedestrian/Cycle Bridge) Scheme 2013 Confirmation Instrument 2014 (“the Scheme”) is hereby confirmed with modifications.

3. The Scheme as confirmed is set out in the Schedule hereto (including the plans) and copies of the Scheme with its accompanying plans as modified are deposited at the offices of the Department for Transport, Floor 13 (IMD), Ashdown House, St Leonards on Sea, Hastings, East Sussex, TN37 7GA, and at the offices of Reading Borough Council, Reading Civic Centre, Reading, RG1 7A.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

24th June 2014

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(1) 1980 c.66.  
(2) S.I. 1981/238.

## THE SHEDULE

### HIGHWAYS ACT 1980, SECTION 106(3) THE READING BOROUGH COUNCIL (RIVER THAMES READING PEDESTRIAN/CYLE BRIDGE) SCHEME 2013

Reading Borough Council (hereinafter referred to as “the Council”) make this Scheme in exercise of their powers under section 106(3) of the Highways Act 1980 and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf:

1. The Council are authorised to construct over the navigable waters of the River Thames the bridge specified in the Schedule to this Scheme as part of the highway which they are proposing to construct/improve between the South Bank of the Thames, Reading, directly to the South of Fry’s Island, Reading RG1 and the North Bank of the Thames in the vicinity of Christchurch Meadows, Reading, to the East and North of Fry’s Island in the Borough of Reading in the said County.

2. This Scheme may be cited as the Reading Borough Council (River Thames Reading Pedestrian / Cycle Bridge) Scheme 2013.

Given under the seal of the Council on the 9th day of September 2013.

The Seal of READING BOROUGH COUNCIL was hereunto affixed in the presence of  
Authorised Officer

## THE SCHEDULE TO THE SCHEME

### PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE READING BOROUGH COUNCIL (RIVER THAMES READING PEDESTRIAN/CYCLE BRIDGE)

The location and general design of the Bridge are shown on the plans 1 to 2(ii) marked “The Reading Borough Council (River Thames Reading Pedestrian / Cycle Bridge) Scheme 2013” sealed with the common seal of the Council and deposited at all reasonable hours at Reading Civic Centre, Reading, RG1 7AE and at the offices of the Secretary of State.

### **POINTS OF COMMENCEMENT AND TERMINATION**

From a point on the south bank of the River Thames, 240 metres west of Reading Bridge and 72 metres east of Lynmouth Road (with an access ramp which leads onto the main river span beginning from a point 171 metres west of Reading Bridge and a set of steps leading onto the main river span which begins 59 metres east of Lynmouth Road) to a point on the north bank of the River Thames, 220 metres west of Reading Bridge and 245 metres east of Wolsey Road.

### **SPAN(S)**

A river span of 68 metres and a land span of 54 metres.

### **HEADWAY**

Not less than 4.57 metres above the navigation channel centre line from the standard headwater level (SHWL) of 36.585 metres AOD. The minimum headway at the northern bank of the river outside the navigation channel is 3.77 metres above the SHWL of 36.585 metres AOD.

## **WATERWAY**

A minimum clear navigable waterway of 55 metres between the proposed protective fender line on the southern bank and the northern bank.

## **OVERALL DIMENSIONS**

The Bridge will be 6.75 metres wide at the central mast tapering to 4.0 metres at its narrowest point. The Bridge will carry a non-segregated footway / cycleway of a width varying from 3.5m up to 5.8 metres clear width between handrails. The width of the Bridge will have a localised reduction to 2.5 metres clear width past either side of the central mast.

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This instrument confirms a scheme to construct over the navigable waters of the River Thames the bridge specified in the Schedule to this Scheme as part of the highway which they are proposing to construct/improve between the South Bank of the Thames, Reading, directly to the South of Fry's Island, Reading RG1 and the North Bank of the Thames in the vicinity of Christchurch Meadows, Reading, to the East and North of Fry's Island in the Borough of Reading in the said County.

The Secretary of State has modified this scheme as follows:

1. In the Schedule to the Scheme under the heading SPAN(S) the words "An overall span of 122.4 metres (of which 63 metres oversails the River Thames)" has been amended to "A river span of 68 metres and a land span of 54 metres".
2. Schedule Plan 1 has been replaced with Schedule Plan 1 A.
3. Schedule Plan 2 (ii) has been replaced with Schedule Plan 2(ii) A.