



Traffic Management Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 18

PART 2

NETWORK MANAGEMENT BY LOCAL TRAFFIC AUTHORITIES [^{F1}AND STRATEGIC HIGHWAYS COMPANIES]

General duties relating to network management

16 The network management duty

- (1) It is the duty of a local traffic authority [^{F1}or a strategic highways company (“the network management authority”)] to manage their road network with a view to achieving, so far as may be reasonably practicable having regard to their other obligations, policies and objectives, the following objectives—
 - (a) securing the expeditious movement of traffic on the authority's road network; and
 - (b) facilitating the expeditious movement of traffic on road networks for which another authority is the traffic authority.
- (2) The action which the authority may take in performing that duty includes, in particular, any action which they consider will contribute to securing—
 - (a) the more efficient use of their road network; or
 - (b) the avoidance, elimination or reduction of road congestion or other disruption to the movement of traffic on their road network or a road network for which another authority is the traffic authority;and may involve the exercise of any power to regulate or co-ordinate the uses made of any road (or part of a road) in the road network (whether or not the power was conferred on them in their capacity as a traffic authority).
- (3) In this Part “network management duty”, in relation to a [^{F2}network management] authority, means their duty under this section.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Traffic Management Act 2004, Section 16. (See end of Document for details)

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 16(1) inserted (5.3.2015) by virtue of [Infrastructure Act 2015 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 57(1), [Sch. 1 para. 135\(2\)](#); [S.I. 2015/481](#), [reg. 2\(a\)](#)
- F2** Words in s. 16(3) substituted (5.3.2015) by [Infrastructure Act 2015 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 57(1), [Sch. 1 para. 135\(3\)](#); [S.I. 2015/481](#), [reg. 2\(a\)](#)
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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 16 in force at 4.1.2005 for E. by [S.I. 2004/3110](#), [art. 2\(a\)](#)
- I2** S. 16 in force at 26.10.2006 for W. by [S.I. 2006/2826](#), [art. 2\(1\)\(2\)\(b\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Traffic Management Act 2004, Section 16.