Lincolnshire Permit Scheme



Annex A for Lincolnshire County Council to operate the Lincolnshire Permit Scheme

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Lincolnshire Permit Scheme ("the LiPS") has been developed under the powers provided in Part 3 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 ("TMA") and the Traffic Management Permit Schemes (England) Regulations 2007, (as amended) Statutory Instrument 2007 No. 3372 ("the Regulations") made on 28 November 2007. It is a permit scheme for the purposes of Section 32(1) of the TMA.
- 1.2 This document contains information specific to Lincolnshire County Council's application to operate a TMA permit scheme for street and road works.
- 1.3 An addendum is also available separately that lists all streets within Lincolnshire County Council's geographical area that fall under the LiPS scheme.

2 Background

- 2.1 Lincolnshire is a large, predominantly rural shire county covering 5921 square kilometres (2286 square miles) representing some 4.5% of England with a population of 731,500 (ONS 2014 mid-year estimate). Due to the extent of the county, the highway network is extensive at some 8,905 kilometres (5,534 miles) the fifth largest of any local highway authority. Within this total, there are no motorways and just 66 kilometres (41 miles) of dual carriageway, of which the vast majority comprises the A1 and the A46.
- 2.2 A varied and diverse county that blends economic strength with inspiring scenery and sites of key historic significance, Lincolnshire also has a considerable volume of traffic carrying residents and tourists into and through the county. Effective management of the highway network is vital in stimulating further growth of tourism businesses, which will lead to increased visitor numbers, ultimately benefiting other businesses and promoting wider infrastructure improvements.
- 2.3 Lincolnshire's Local Transport Plan (LTP) 2013-2023 provides the evidence to suggest investment focus should be on maintaining or enhancing the performance of the existing networks, particularly where journey time reliability is deteriorating. The efficiency with which existing transport networks are used is just as important as the underlying investment in major new infrastructure (and can improve justification for investment in new infrastructure).
- 2.4 LTP 2013-2023 (and the associated implementation plans) sets out Lincolnshire's transport objectives. Operating a permit scheme compliments the Network Management Plan as part of the wider LTP.
- 2.5 Permits provide greater accuracy of works timing, particularly on traffic sensitive roads. The use of conditions when granting a permit will allow Lincolnshire to manage the way that works activities are carried out providing tighter control of network space. Evidence from previous successfully implemented schemes suggests that the provision and use of well thought-out conditions and enforcement action where appropriate, helps drive improvements in reducing occupation of the highway by works. The cost of the permits also helps dissuade promoters from planning works unnecessarily and poorly.
- 2.6 The highway network is an essential part of the local economy and the effective management of the network ensures that everyone benefits;- from improvements in safety, journey reliability and decreased environmental impacts. A well-managed network also aids local regeneration projects and helps to support the local economy.
- 2.7 Through implementing the LiPS, Lincolnshire County Council plan to increase the efficient running of the highway network by minimising the disruption and inconvenience caused by road works and other highway events and activities through proactive management of activities on the highway.

3 Lincolnshire County Council LiPS scheme

- 3.1 Lincolnshire County Council Addendum
- 3.1.1.1 This addendum to operate the LiPS scheme is for Lincolnshire County Council.
- 3.1.2 Streets covered by the Lincolnshire scheme
- 3.1.2.1 The "specified area" as required under Regulation 7, will be the geographical area encompassed by Lincolnshire County Council's boundary.
- 3.1.2.2 All streets maintained by, or on behalf of Lincolnshire County Council are included within this scheme (Regulation 8). These streets are identified as part of Lincolnshire County Council's additional street data (ASD).
- 3.1.2.3 Roads administered by Highways England and private streets are not included in the scheme.

3.1.3 Objectives and measures

3.1.3.1 Lincolnshire County Council will use the objectives and measures as described in the LiPS and associated guidance issued by either the Department for Transport or HAUC.

3.1.4 Strategically significant streets

- 3.1.4.1 Strategically significant streets includes traffic-sensitive streets (defined under Regulation 16 of *The Street Works (Registers, Notices, Directions and Designations) (England) Regulations 2007.)* as well as streets which fall into reinstatement categories 0, 1 or 2 as defined in Section 1.3 of the statutory *Specification for the Reinstatement of Openings in Highways* (SROH).
- 3.1.4.2 In addition, the Permit Authority may include other streets that are significant locally, for instance, streets linking rural communities where the impact from activities on the highway could be severe. This definition is given in the DFT document *Permit Schemes Additional Guidance (January 2013)*.
- 3.1.4.3 Under the LiPS and for the purpose of permit charges and notification timescales, strategically significant streets do not fall under the higher Section 74 charges for overruns. However, they do attract a higher permit charge to reflect the greater importance placed on them in terms of coordination and potential for disruption and will fall under the ASD and EToN designation of 'traffic sensitive'.

3.1.5 Fee Levels

- 3.1.5.1 Lincolnshire County Council has set their fee levels in accordance with the DFT document *Permit Fees Guidance (July 2008)*, and the *Additional Advice Note for developing and operating future permit schemes (January 2013)*, and in accordance with the maximum fee levels specified in Regulation 30.
- 3.1.5.2 The charges set are proportionate and reflect the level of work done for Lincolnshire County Council to issue a permit.
- 3.1.5.3 There is a charge for Permit Variations on all streets. This reflects the added work required to manage changed situations and is an incentive for activity promoters to plan and submit permits accurately in the first instance.

Activity type	Charge on road category 0-2 or Traffic-sensitive	Charge on road category 3-4 or non-Trafficsensitive
Provisional Advance Authorisation	£101	£72
Major activities (over 10 days duration AND major activities requiring a TTRO)	£210	£130
Major activities (4 to 10 days duration)	£117	£75
Major activities (up to 3 days duration)	£64	£43
Standard activities	£117	£75
Minor activities	£64	£43
Immediate activities	£40	£26
Permit variation	£45	£35

3.1.6 Waiving and reduced permit fees

- 3.1.6.1 Section 18.3 and 18.4 of the LiPS document details when a fee may be waived or discounted.
- 3.1.6.2 In addition, Lincolnshire County Council may waive an individual charge or offer a discount where it considers such action is merited.
- 3.1.6.3 Lincolnshire County Council intends to follow DfT or HAUC guidelines with respect to the discounting of fees for works that take place wholly outside traffic sensitive times.

3.1.7 Fee Review

- 3.1.7.1 Lincolnshire County Council is committed to undertaking a review of its level of fees in accordance with Regulation 16A to ensure that the overall fee income does not exceed the allowable costs in running the scheme. The outcome of the fee reviews will be published and open to public scrutiny.
- 3.1.7.2 If a sustained surplus or deficit occurs over a period, the fee levels will be adjusted accordingly.

3.1.8 Invoicing arrangements

- 3.1.8.1 Problems with electronic systems, incorrect sequencing of notices or other reasons may lead to differences between the activity promoter and the Permit Authority over what each party consider applicable charges.
- 3.1.8.2 Lincolnshire County Council intends to provide a schedule of charges to each activity promoter either fortnightly or on a monthly basis (working with promoters on their preferred timing) in the form of a 'draft invoice'. This will be submitted to the activity promoters for them to review and reconcile with their own systems.
- 3.1.8.3 Following this submission there will be an agreed period to enable the activity promoter to agree the charges with Lincolnshire County Council.
- 3.1.8.4 Following agreement, or where no response has been submitted, Lincolnshire County Council will submit a final invoice under its normal terms of payment.

3.1.9 Conditions

- 3.1.9.1 Lincolnshire County Council's implementation of the LiPS follows the DfT Statutory Guidance on permit conditions, or any amendments or guidance issued in future.
- 3.1.9.2 This guidance is contained in the DfT's Statutory guidance for Highway Authority Permit Schemes Permit scheme conditions (March 2015)

3.1.10 Details of transitional Arrangements

- 3.1.10.1 Lincolnshire County Council intends to commence the permit scheme on 5th October 2016.
- 3.1.10.2 The permit regime has been designed to follow closely the processes and timescales of the NRSWA noticing regime.
- 3.1.10.3 The basic rules of transition from noticing to permitting will apply on all roads where the permit scheme operates.
 - The permit regime will apply to all activities where the administrative processes, such as, application for a permit or Provisional Advance Authorisation, start after the commencement date
 - Activities which are planned to start on site more than one month after the changeover date (for all activity categories including Major) shall operate under the permit scheme. This means that even if the relevant Section 54, Section 55 or Section 57 NRSWA notice has been sent before the changeover, the activity promoter will have to cancel these and re-apply for a permit or PAA
 - Any other activities which started under the notices regime will continue under that regime until completion
- 3.1.10.4 Where section 54, 55 or 57 notices have been submitted but require cancelling and amending to a PAA/PA, Lincolnshire County Council will ensure that road space already booked will not be affected, and will assist the activity promoter by providing early start agreements as required.
- 3.1.10.5 Lincolnshire County Council will proactively examine their street works register in advance of implementation to help identify notices that may need amending in this way.
- 3.1.10.6 Where an activity promoter considers that in certain circumstances it would be beneficial to agree to follow a different rule for transition of notices to permits, they should submit this in writing to Lincolnshire County Council prior to the scheme coming into effect. Any request will be judged on a case-by-case basis with due regard to both the additional needs of the promoter, any additional workloads for the authority and with consideration of parity for other promoters.
- 3.1.10.7 As required in Regulation 3, the Permit Authority will give a minimum of 4 weeks' notice of commencement of the scheme following the Order being made, to all those previously consulted on the permit scheme.

3.2 Permit Scheme Resourcing

For the purposes of permitting, Lincolnshire County Council's two-division structure will be based on staff being dispersed across the county within local offices as necessary.

Regulatory Compliance 4

The following table shows which sections of the scheme relate to which regulations 4.1.1.1

Lincolnshir	e Permit S	Scheme Re	gulatory (Compliance
Subject	Reg. Ref.	S.G. Ref.	LiPS Ref.	Comments
CONSULTATION				
1. Consulted all statutory undertakers and S.50 holders in the area – Regulation 3.	R3 (1)(a)	2.2 – 2.9		Consultation undertaken as per Regs, and responded to. No significant changes to the scheme.
2. Consulted all authorities whose streets/areas are included or affected by the scheme – Regulation 3.	R3 (1)(b)	2.2 – 2.9		Consultation undertaken as per Regs.
3. Consulted the Secretary of State for Transport – Regulation 3.	R3 (1)(f)	2.2 – 2.9		Consultation undertaken as per Regs.
4. The proposal contains a summary of responses to the consultation and the changes made in light of the consultation.	R4(i)	1.35		Responses submitted separately. Note no significant changes made to scheme, Annex sets out changes.
5. It is Good Practice to consider providing all activity promoters operating within the permit area and all those consulted on the proposed scheme, with the details of post consultation changes before the scheme goes live.				Meeting held with statutory undertakers prior to consultation to discuss proposed scheme. Minor changes made to scheme resulting from comments made. Consultation extended to provide additional time for responses.
SCHEME OBJECTIVES, DESIGN, COST-BENEFIT AN	NALYSIS AND	EVALUATION	ARRANGEME	ENTS
6. The scheme must state its objectives	R4 (b)	1.21	Ch. 2	
7. There is an explanation of the permit authority's chosen design for the permit scheme – 100% of the network		1.28	Ch. 3	
8. The scheme sets out how the permit authority will ensure non-discrimination between permit applicants	R4 (c)	9.4 – 9.7	Ch. 1 & 2	
9. The scheme is designed to ensure, as far as possible, parity of treatment between both types of works by evidence of compliance with KPIs.		1.35	Ch. 20	
10. The scheme sets out how and when the permit authority will evaluate the scheme to ensure that the stated objectives are met.	R4 (d)	2.10 – 2.13	Ch. 20	
11. The submission sets out the costs and benefits of the scheme and the consultation considers responses to the consultation.	R4 (1)(e)	2.12 & 3.70	Fee Matrix	Fee Matrix submitted separately.
COVERAGE OF THE SCHEME				
12. The permit authority will need to be able to confirm that the scheme has been prepared in accordance with and complies with these regulations.	R4 (2)	2.10 – 2.13	Ch. 1	
13. The scheme states the area it will cover.	R7 (1)	1.33 – 1.35	Ch. 3	
14. The scheme states the streets within the area that are included in the scheme.	R8 (1)	1.28 – 1.30	Ch. 3	
15. The scheme states the types of works the scheme applies to.	R6 (1)	3.2 – 3.4	Ch. 5	

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16. The scheme includes both highway and statutory undertakers' works.		1.55	Ch. 1 & 2	
17. All works comprising 'registerable works' in terms of the 2007 Notices Regulations under NRSWA are included in the scheme.		1.37 – 1.41 & 7.1	Ch. 5	
18. The scheme states which specified people, or types of people, do not have to apply for a permit and in which circumstances.	R9 (2)	3.9 – 3.10	Ch. 5	
IMPLEMENTATION AND TRANSITION		•		
19. The scheme states the date when the permit scheme is going to start operation.	R4 (g)	1.35 & 4.3	Ch. 1	
20. The scheme sets out any transitional arrangements that the authority proposes to implement.	R4 (h)	1.35 & 9.8 - 9.9	Ch. 21	
COMPLIANCE WITH GENERAL TECHNICAL AND I	DEFINITIONAL	REQUIREMEN	NTS	
21. The scheme is set up to receive				
applications, issue notices and otherwise communicate electronically.		1.42	Ch. 9	
22. The scheme is designed to operate in a manner that complies with the Technical Specification (ETON) and follows its requirements.		1.42	Ch. 8, 9, 14 & 15	
23. The scheme uses a nationally consistent local street gazetteer for identifying streets.		1.43	Ch. 3	
24. The scheme provides that a 'street' refers to that length of road associated with a single USRN i.e. to part of a whole street where a street is subdivided.		1.44	Ch. 3	
25. The permit authority's local street gazetteer is upgraded to Level 3.		1.45	Ch. 3	
26. The permit authority is committed to creating and maintaining a register containing the names of each street included in the scheme and specifying whether such streets have been designated as protected, of special engineering difficulties, or traffic-sensitive	R33 (2)	7.1 – 7.5 & 7.20 – 7.22	Ch. 4	
27. The permit authority is committed to maintaining a register in connection with their permit scheme containing information about all registerable activities on those streets.		7.1 – 7.5	Ch. 4	
28. The permit authority is committed to ensuring that all the information held in permit registers is referenced to the Elementary Street Unit Identifier and the Unique Street Reference Number (USRN) and that permit registers follow the street works equivalent by being GIS (Geographic Information System) based.		7.10 – 7.11	Ch. 4	
29. The scheme uses the same or equivalent definitions or requirements as are used in the NRSWA noticing system for: Registerable activities/works; Categories of activities/works (major, standard, minor and immediate activities/works); Street gazetteers, including street referencing by means of Unique Street Reference Number (USRN) and Associated Street Data (ASD); Street Reinstatement categories as defined in the NRSWA Reinstatement Specification; The distinction between main roads and minor		1.40	Ch. 3	

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roads, where such distinctions are relevant;				
and Streets designated as protected, having special				
engineering difficulty or traffic-sensitive.				
PROVISIONAL ADVANCE AUTHORISATIONS (PA	\c\			
30. If the scheme requires a PAA for major	15)			
works, the promoter should be required to				
provide the final detailed information in				
support of its application for a permit at least		3.20	Ch. 6	
10 working days before the activity is due to				
commence.				
31. The scheme incorporates a requirement for		3.19 &		
PAAs in relation to major permits only.		3.51	Ch. 6	
32. Where a scheme requires PAAs to be				
applied for, it specifies the information that	R11 (2)	3.19	Ch. 6	
should be included in the application for a PAA.				
33. The scheme requires an application for a				
PAA to specify the proposed start and end				
dates for the relevant activities, although the		3.19 -	Ch. 6	
scheme should allow sufficient flexibility to		3.20	CII. 0	
enable the dates to be reasonably adjusted				
when a permit is ultimately issued.				
34. The information stipulated by the scheme				
to support an application for a PAA should be		0.10	a	
equivalent to and certainly should not exceed,		3.16	Ch. 6	
that required in support of an application for a				
permit. 35. Where a scheme requires a PAA to be				
applied for, it requires that a copy of the PAA is				
sent to the relevant authority, or any other	R11 (6)		Ch. 6	
body having apparatus in the street when	KII (U)		CII. 0	
requested by that body.				
36. Where a PAA has been given but a full				
permit has not yet been issued and proposals				
change, the scheme stipulates that the Permit			CI C	
Authority has to be informed of the proposed			Ch. 6	
changes and a revised application for PAA or				
permit made.				
IMMEDIATE ACTIVITIES				
37. Immediate Activities are defined as				
emergency works as per Section 52 of NRSWA				
or activities (not being emergency works)				
whose execution at the time they are executed				
is required (or which the person responsible				
for the works believed on reasonable grounds				
to be required) – (i) to prevent or put an end to an unplanned				
interruption of any supply or service provided				
by the promoter.			Ch. 7	
(ii) to avoid substantial loss to the promoter in			311. 7	
relation to an existing service; or				
(iii) to reconnect supplies or services where the				
promoter would be under civil or criminal				
liability if the reconnection is delayed until				
after the expiration of the appropriate notice				
period;				
This includes works that cannot reasonably be				
separated or severed from such works.				
38. The scheme requires promoters of			Ch. 8 &	
immediate activities to apply for a permit			12	
within two hours of the activity starting.				
39. The ASD must be marked with any streets			Ch 2	
for which the scheme requires a promoter to			Ch. 3	

ring the authority when starting immediate			
works.			
OTHER WORKS REQUIRING PERMITS			
40. The scheme includes a provision requiring a	(.)		
permit to be obtained before specified works	R9 (1)	Ch. 5	
are carried out in a specified street.			
41. The scheme provides that each phase of			
work requires a separate permit e.g. a separate	R9 (8)	Ch. 9	
permit would be required for interim and	(5)	5 5	
permanent reinstatements.			
42. Standard activities are defined in the			
scheme as those activities, other than			
immediate or major activities, that have a		Ch. 7	
planned duration of between 4 and 10 working			
days inclusive.			
43. The scheme stipulates that a standard			
permit is applied for 10 days in advance of		Ch. 8	
works commencing.			
44. Minor Activities are defined in the scheme			
as activities other than immediate or major		Ch. 7	
activities, where the planned working is 3		CII. /	
working days or less.			
45. The scheme stipulates that a minor permit			
is applied for 3 days in advance of works		Ch. 8	
commencing.			
APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS			
46. The scheme requires promoters applying			
for permits or PAAs to copy their applications			
to any authority or undertaker that has		Ch. 6	
requested to see permit applications on certain			
streets.			
46. The information that has to be included in	50 (0)		
a permit application is specified in the scheme.	R9 (3)	Ch. 9	
47. The scheme requires that each application	(-)	-1 -	
for a permit only covers one street.	R9 (4)	Ch. 9	
48. The scheme requires each application for a			
permit, or a variation of a permit, to include an	R9 (5)	Ch. 9	
estimate of the likely duration of the works.	- (-)		
49. The scheme requires a sufficiently detailed			
description of the activities to be provided to			
allow the street authority to assess the likely		Ch. 9	
impact of the activity.			
50. The scheme requires promoters to include			
an accurate location in their application based			
on National Grid References, one in the centre			
of the excavation for small excavations and		Ch. 9	
one at each end of trenches, along with		Ci.i. 5	
dimensions of the space taken up by the			
activity on the street.			
51. The scheme requires each application for a			
permit to include proposed start and end dates			
and should require applicants to indicate			
whether they wish the permit to cover work at		Ch. 9	
weekends and on Bank Holidays (where			
applicable).			
52. The scheme allows the Permit Authority to			
require the applicant to provide an illustration			
of the works (including plans, digital			
photographs, etc.) in appropriate cases. Activities on streets with Special Engineering		Ch. 9	
Difficulty will in any case require a plan and section. This should include details of what the			
works are, whether they are likely to affect			

more than one lane of the street and if possible a numerical measure of estimated disruption. 3. The scheme requires applicants to supply details of the planned techniques to be used, such as open cut, trench share, minimum dig technique or no dig. 5. The scheme requires applicants to supply details of their traffic management proposals including applications for approxide of portable light signals, including any requirement for action by the local authority, such as the need for Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders to facilitate the works. 5.5. The scheme requires that activity promoters provide their best estimate of the excavation depth as part of the application. 5.6. The scheme requires that activity promoters provide their best estimate of the excavation depth as part of the application. 5.6. The scheme requires that activity intended to be completed with interion or permanent reinstatement or a muture of both. If the latter, then details would need to be provided as to where interior or permanent reinstatements will be completed within that berief in the permanent reinstatements will be completed within that beginners. 5.7. The scheme requires applications to include the provisional number of estimated inspection units appropriate to the activity. 5.8. The scheme requires applications to include the contact details of the person appointed by the activity promoter to deal with any problems that may occur during the activity, including any provision made for out of hours contact. 5.9. The scheme provides for each permit to expect the during any provision made for out of hours contact. 6.0. There is a commitment to date permits in calendar days not working days. 6.1. The scheme is designed so that in relation to category 0.1, and traffic sensitive are effectively on the permit. The permit will not be valid before the start date on the permit and will case to be valid on the neighbour provision permit start and end dates respectively on the permit start and end tates which should allow for flexibili				
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63. The scheme is designed to ensure that	_			
working at weekends or on bank holidays is Ch. 9	,		Ch. 9	
reflected in the permit start and end dates are	reflected in the permit start and end dates are			

subject to any legislative costs.			
64. The scheme provides for the national		Ch. 1	
permit conditions to be applied as appropriate.		CII. I	
65. The scheme provides that the permit will			
specify in detail the activity it allows and the		Ch. 9	
conditions attached.			
66. The scheme provides that any constraints		Ch. 9 &	
in the original application should be reflected		12	
in conditions in the permit.		12	
67. The scheme provides that an issued permit			
will contain all the conditions attached to the		Ch. 9 &	
permit so that there is no ambiguity about the		12	
validity and terms of the permit.			
68. The scheme imposes a national condition			
that requires the permit reference number to		Ch 12	
be prominently displayed for each set of		Ch. 12	
works.			
TIME LIMITS FOR RESPONSES TO APPLICATIONS			
69. The scheme sets out times in which the			
Permit Authority will respond to applications			
for:	R 16	Ch. 8	
PAAs; Variations of permits; and permit			
conditions.			
ISSUE OF PERMITS: PROCEDURE			
70. The scheme provides that the permit will			
be placed on the permit register and copied to			
any undertaker, authority or other relevant		Ch. 6	
body that has asked to be informed about		Cili o	
activities on a particular street.			
71. The scheme provides that a permit will be			
issued to the promoter for every permit that is		Ch. 9	
granted.		Cii. 5	
72. The scheme provides that all permits will			
be given a unique reference number (following		Ch. 9	
the ETON numbering conventions).		Cii. 9	
73. The scheme provide that permits will be			
marked so as to indicate cross references to			
any linked permits which have also been		Ch. 9	
issued.			
REVOCATION AND VARIATION OF PERMITS			
74. The scheme includes provisions to enable	D1E /1)	Ch 15	
the Permit Authority to vary and/or revoke	R15 (1)	Ch. 15	
permits and permit conditions.			
75. Where a condition is specified in a permit,			
the Permit Authority much use the wording	P10 (c)	Ch 13	
and numbering for that condition set out in the	R10 (6)	Ch. 12	
Statutory Guidance – Permit Scheme			
Conditions issued 17 March 2015.			
76. The scheme includes a statement of the			
Permit Authority's policy as to the		Ch. 15	
circumstances in which it will review, vary or			
revoke permits on its own initiative.			
77. The scheme sets out the process by which:			
a promoter who no longer requires a permit			
for an activity can request the authority to			
revoke or cancel a permit that has already		Ch. 15	
been issued; or		5.11. 20	
an authority can cancel or withdraw an			
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application that has been submitted but for			
which a permit has not yet been granted.			
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which a permit has not yet been granted.			

where the existing permit has more than 20%			
of its duration or more than two working days			
to run, whichever is the longer, the promoter			
shall apply for a variation electronically.			
79. The scheme stipulates that in any other			
case, the promoter shall first telephone the			
Permit Authority to ascertain whether the		Cl- 45	
authority is prepared to grant a variation and		Ch. 15	
only apply, again electronically, if the authority			
is so prepared.			
80. The scheme specifies the information that			
needs to be included in an application for a			
variation or revocation of a permit or permit	R15 (2)	Ch. 15	
condition.			
OTHER MISCELLANEOUS ASPECTS OF SCHEME O	ONTENT		
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81. The permit scheme has taken into account			broadband works have been considered as part
and known national infrastructure projects e.g.			of the investigatory works carried out during
Broadband roll out and rail projects etc.			the compilation of the fee matrix.
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82. The proposal provides the evidence		_	
considered by the Permit Authority when	R4 (f)	Fee	Fee Matrix submitted separately.
deciding on the proposed fee levels and the	()	Matrix	' ,
reasons for their decisions.			
83. Permit fees are within the maximum		Fee	
specified and appropriate only to the added	R29 & R30	Matrix	
value being included.		Width	
84. The scheme sets out the range of fees that			
may be charged and the criteria which are	R30 (2)	Appendix	
taken into account when determining how the	1130 (2)	D	
applicable fee is identified from the range.			
85. The scheme provides that where a permit			
variation would move an activity into a higher			
category, the promoter will be required to pay		Ch. 15	
the difference between the permit fees for the		Ch. 15	
two categories as well as the permit variation			
fee.			
86. The scheme provides that where, through			
no action, failing or fault on the part of the			
promoter, the Permit Authority revokes the		Ch. 15	
promoter's permit, no fee should be payable			
for the new permit.			
87. The permit scheme sets out the			
circumstances in which the permit fees are		Ch. 18	
discounted.		Cii. 10	
discounted.			