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[<sup>F704</sup> **175A** **Duty to have regard to needs of disabled and blind in executing works, etc.**

- (1) In executing works in a street which may impede the mobility of disabled persons or blind persons highway authorities, local authorities and any other person exercising a statutory power to execute works on a highway shall have regard to the needs of such persons.
- (2) Any such authority or person as is mentioned in subsection (1) above shall have regard to the needs of disabled persons and blind persons when placing lamp-posts, bollards, traffic-signs, apparatus or other permanent obstructions in a street.
- (3) Highway authorities shall have regard to the needs of disabled persons when considering the desirability of providing ramps at appropriate places between carriageways and footways.
- (4) In executing in a street any such works as are mentioned in subsection (1) above, any such authority or person as is mentioned in that subsection shall have regard to the need of blind persons to have any openings, whether temporary or permanent, in the street, properly protected.
- (5) Section 28 of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970 (power to define certain expressions for the purposes of provisions of that Act) shall have effect as if any reference in it to a provision of that Act included a reference to this section.]

**Textual Amendments**

**F704** S. 175A inserted by [Disabled Persons Act 1981 \(c. 43, SIF 81:3\), s. 1\(1\)](#)

*Miscellaneous*

[<sup>F705</sup> **175B** **Consent of highway authority required for trunk road access**

- (1) Access to or from a trunk road in England must not be constructed, formed or laid out without the consent of the highway authority for the trunk road.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply where—
  - (a) section 24(2) applies, or
  - (b) development consent is required under the Planning Act 2008.]

**Textual Amendments**

**F705** S. 175B inserted (5.3.2015) by [Infrastructure Act 2015 \(c. 7\), s. 57\(1\), Sch. 1 para. 43; S.I. 2015/481, reg. 2\(a\)](#)

**176      Restriction on construction of bridges over highways.**

- (1) The highway authority for a highway may grant to the owner or occupier of any premises adjoining the highway a licence to construct a bridge over the highway on such terms and conditions, and to use it for such period and on such terms and conditions, as the authority think fit.