

THE TRANSPORT AND WORKS ACT 1992

**THE TRANSPORT AND WORKS (APPLICATION AND OBJECTIONS
PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND AND WALES) RULES 2006**

THE RIVER MERSEY (MERSEY GATEWAY BRIDGE) ORDER

**DECLARATION OF STATUS OF THE
APPLICANT
RULE 10(2)(e)**

It is hereby declared as follows:

1. Halton Borough Council (the "Applicant") was created as a non-metropolitan district council pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequently established as a unitary local authority by the Cheshire (Borough of Halton and Warrington) (Structural Change) Order 1996/1863 made by the Secretary of State for the Environment pursuant to the powers conferred on him by the Local Government Act 1992.
2. The Applicant is the local highway authority responsible for *inter alia* the maintenance of highways in the Borough of Halton by virtue of the Highways Act 1980, the development of policies for the promotion and implementation of transport facilities by virtue of the Transport Act 2000 and pursuing the objectives, strategies and policies set out in Halton Borough Council's Local Transport Plan 2006/2007 to 2010/2011.
3. The Applicant has passed a resolution of its full council pursuant to section 239 of the Local Government Act 1974 as applied by section 20 of the Transport and Works Act 1992 to authorise the promotion of the application for the Order of which this declaration forms part.

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