Appendix 2

Carriageway Hierarchy Categories

Hierarchy Category	Name	Description	Criteria
1	Primary Strategic Network	Sections of carriageway that have a high strategic importance to the resilience of the highway network	Generally sections that include critical national infrastructure and Primary Route Network
2	Secondary Strategic Network	Sections of carriageway that have a strategic importance to the resilience of the highway network	Generally sections that are A roads that are also either high speed, traffic Sensitive or are used for a local Essential Service
3	Primary Distributor Network	Sections of carriageway that have a high social and economic importance	Generally sections that are all other A roads or are classified roads that are also either traffic Sensitive or are used for a local essential service
4	Secondary Distributor Network	Sections of carriageway that have a social and economic importance	Generally sections that are all other classified road or are unclassified roads that are also either major urban and rural connections, traffic sensitive or are used for a local essential service
5	Local Network	Sections of carriageway that are of local importance only	Generally sections that are part of the unclassified network but has access through to another road
6	Minor Network	Sections of carriageway that are minor in their importance to the highway network	Generally sections that serve a small number of properties and no through road less than 300m
7	Tracks	Sections of carriageway unsuitable for vehicular traffic but may be trafficked by other means	Generally tracks