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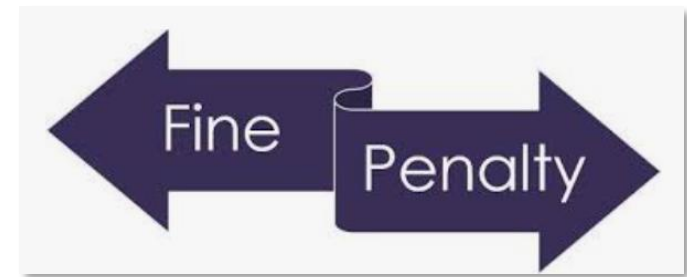
## DfT priorities

Sally Kendall



# Street works regulation

- Government decided to
  - raise FPNs
  - apply overruns at weekends and bank holidays
  - require 50% surplus lane rental funds is spent on highway maintenance
- Statutory Instrument being drafted
- Should be laid Sep/Oct 2025
- Come into force 12 weeks' later
- Statutory guidance to be updated



# EV chargepoints

- Government decided to allow EV chargepoint operators access to permits and street manager
- Section 43 Planning and Infrastructure Bill
- Will remove need for S115 licence
- 2007 permit regulations to be amended
- Guidance to be included in co-ordination code and permit scheme statutory guidance



## Bill passage

### Bill started in the House of Commons

- ✓ 1st reading
- ✓ 2nd reading
- ⌚ **Committee stage**
- Report stage
- 3rd reading

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## Guidance

### Issuing section 50 street works licences

Published 5 February 2024

#### Applies to England

#### Contents

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#### What this guidance covers

This good practice guide is aimed at highway authorities and those organisations that need to carry out street works using licences issued under section 50 of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (NRSWA). It provides advice on:

- the legislative background
- when licences should be used
- good practice for dealing with applications
- other issues, for example, asset ownership and maintenance, and fines and penalties

# Lane rental

- Ministers support continued roll-out of lane rental
- Is new process for bids to DfT
  - all bids sent by 1 April will be assessed as a group between May-July
  - any sent by 1 October will be assessed as a group between November-January
  - and so on....
- Updated guidance and templates being published



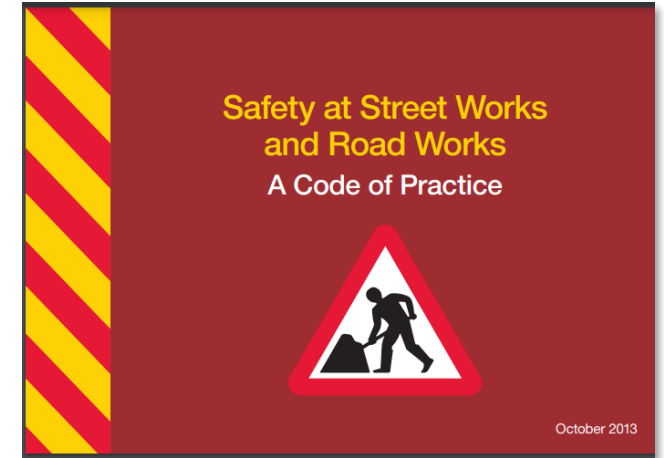
# Lane rental

- Proposal to devolve approval of schemes to Mayors in English Devolution White Paper
- Consultation closed 21 February
- Also asked about other changes
- Outcome TBC



# Safety code update

- Clarify where requirements are mandatory or advisory
- Fully comply with the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 (TSRGD)
- Consistent with Inclusive Mobility, Transport Scotland's Cycling by Design, Active Travel Design and Active Travel Act guidance (gov.wales)
- Ensure upholds safety standards and enables works promoters to safely carry out SLG
- Ensure safety of all road user groups
- Hope to consult on updated version after local government elections in May



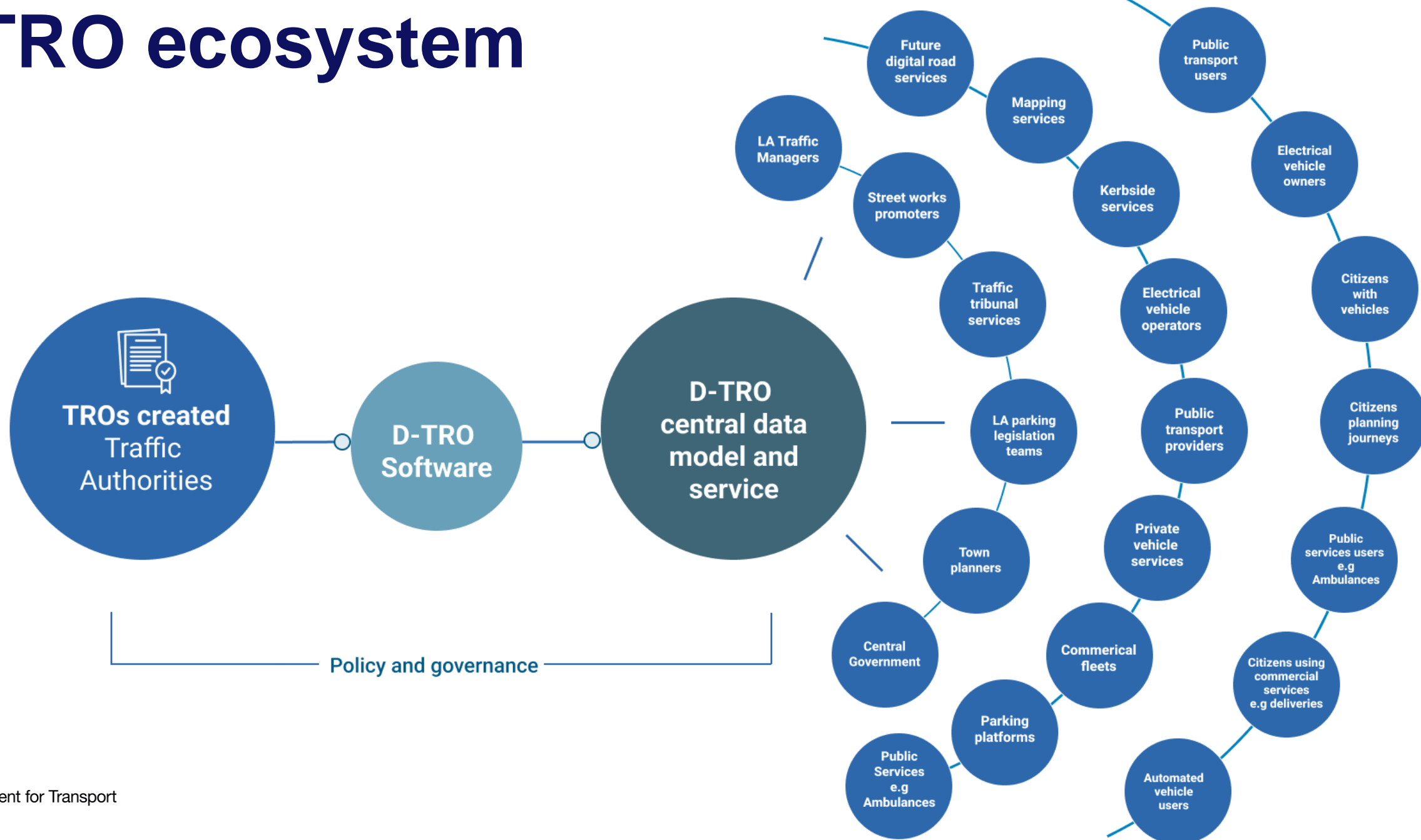


# Digital Traffic Regulation Orders (DTRO)

- Section 93 Automated Vehicles Act 2024 gave SoS power to make regulations to require any authority that makes TROs to send them digitally to a central publication platform
- Consulted on draft regulations – closed 21 March
- Final SI to be laid later in 2025
- Coming into force date TBC



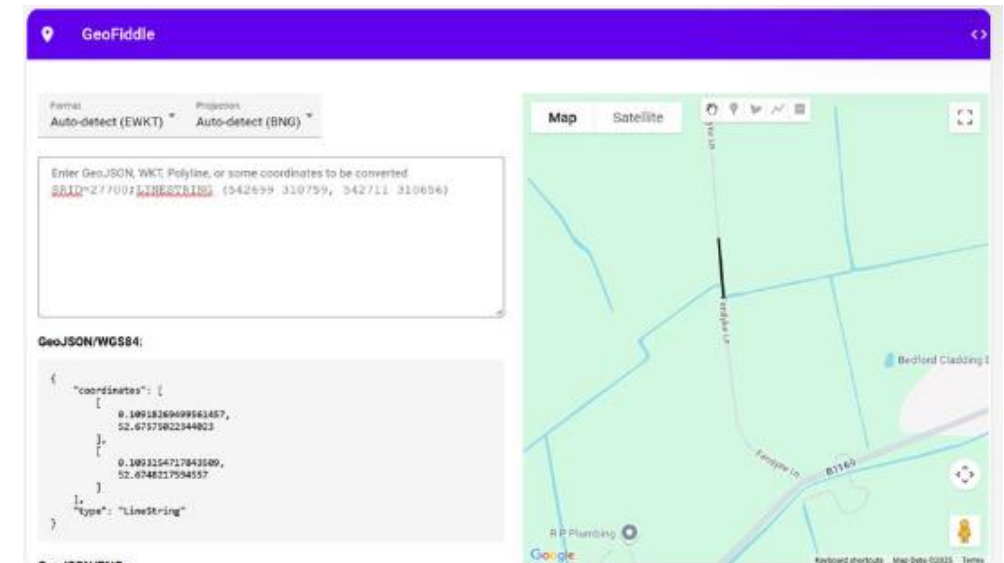
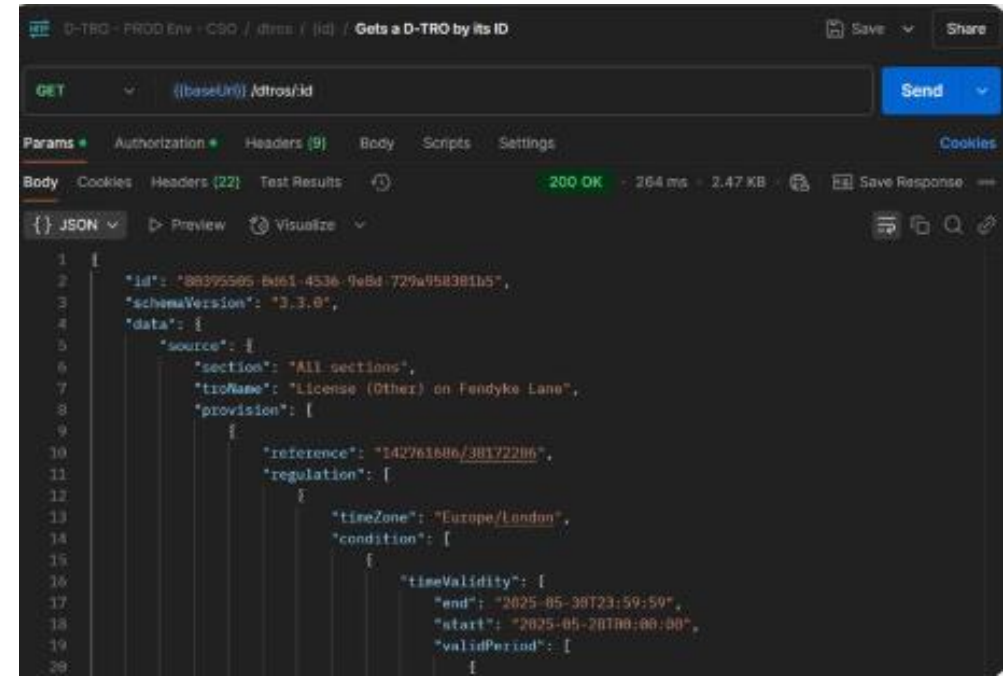
# D-TRO ecosystem





# D-TRO service

- D-TRO service in private beta since November 2024, soon to move to public beta
- Can be used voluntarily, testing etc
- API only service
- Just had the 10,000th order in the D-TRO PROD service
- Other screen shot shows order on a map



# More info

- <https://ttf.uk.net/digital-traffic-regulation-orders-d-tro/>


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## Digital Traffic Regulation Orders (D-TRO) Beta

by DfT Street Manager

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- API Rate Limit Increase**  
Following user feedback and understanding of API usage patterns, we have increased the API rate limit from 500pm to 1000pm. This should help reduce the frequency of which users experience HTTP 429 errors.  
• The rate limit is pooled across all clients; all client requests contribute to the global rate limit, and this is not 1000pm per client.  
• We continue to monitor the API usage patterns to understand whether this limit is suitable, or whether further changes are required.  
• API usage pattern data enables us to analyse current traffic, and extrapolate to understand expected traffic, enabling us to intelligently determine per-client and global rate limits.  
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- Update from DfT Service Assessment**  
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# Other work?

- Would like to do but dependent on resources
  - review of street works qualifications regime/regulations
  - follow up to Transport Select Committee recommendations
  - immediate/emergency/urgent works
  - changes to TRO procedure regulations
  - changes to SoS consent for special event and some temporary TROs
  - process for road adoption

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