

Statement of Reasons

7.5 tonne Weight Restriction Digbeth Street & Fox Lane Stow On the Wold

This is an administration exercise to make a new Order to clarify that all vehicles exceeding 7.5 tonnes maximum gross weight are prohibited and not just good vehicles

Proposals

The introduction of a 7.5 tonne weight limit along Digbeth Street and Fox Lane in Stow-On-The-Wold.

Reasons

The weight limit is proposed to help improve the environment and perception of safety along a narrow road in the town. Gloucestershire County Council has received complaints from the Town Council, businesses and residents in regards to the presence of large vehicles in this road and the safety implications this may have.

It is hoped that the weight limit will help to improve local access to amenities for pedestrians, maintaining access to local business and generally improving the environment in this area.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

The specific grounds which the County Council are using for the implementation of the proposed scheme as above, are the following sections of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984:

- Section 1 (a) for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other such road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- Section 1 (c) for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).
- Section 1 (f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

In addition, thorough consideration was given to the factors set out in Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 in proposing this Traffic Order.

Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016

All of the associated signing will be in accordance with traffic signs regulations and general directions 2016.

Equality Act 2010

Thorough consideration was given to the equalities duty of the County Council under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.

Statutory Consultation

The Ambulance Service, Police Service, Fire Service, Town Council, Road Haulage Association and the Freight Transport Association have not raised any objections to the proposals.