STATEMENT OF REASONS

Proposed Waiting Restrictions - Various Roads Surrounding Clearwater School, Quedgeley, Gloucestershire

Proposals
In order to facilitate the safe opening of a new school being built in Quedgeley, it is proposed to introduce new waiting restrictions on roads surrounding the Clearwater School. These restrictions are captured in highway development reference 17/00729/278. The proposals are as follows:

No Waiting At Any Time – along sections of Clearwater Drive, Severndale Drive, Pendock Close, Hasfield Close, The Causeway, Sandpiper Close, Aspen Drive, Eldersfield Close, Brockeridge Close and Highclere Road.

No Waiting 8am – 9:30am and 2:30pm – 4pm Monday to Friday – along sections of Clearwater Drive, Aspen Drive and Eldersfield Close.

No Stopping on School Entrance Markings between 8am – 4pm Monday to Friday – along a section of Clearwater Drive.

Reasons
The proposed No Waiting At Any Time restrictions (double yellow lines) aim to address the issues that parked vehicles can cause such as:

- Visibility, obstruction and manoeuvrability issues around junctions and accesses for road users and pedestrians.
- Obstructions to traffic flow along roads.
- Obstructions to pedestrian crossing points and movements.
- Obstructions to bus movements.

They are also proposed to keep current traffic calming features clear of parked vehicles, to ensure that the effects and visibility of these features is not compromised.

The proposed No Waiting 8am – 9:30am and 2:30pm – 4pm Monday – Friday restrictions aim to address the same issues as the double yellow lines but at peak times only, when traffic and pedestrian levels are much higher due to both people accessing the school and commuters. These restrictions will allow more parking for residents and their visitors when traffic and pedestrians levels are lower.

The No Stopping On School Entrance Markings between 8am and 4pm Monday to Friday aim to keep the school entrance area clear, where any stopping or parking would cause significant road safety and obstruction issues. Outside of these times a No Waiting at Any Time restriction will be in force.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984
The specific grounds with which the County Council are using for the implementation of the proposed scheme as above are encompassed in the following sections of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 for making a Traffic Regulation Order:

- Section 1 (a) For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other 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.

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 the 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**
Consultation has been carried out with statutory consultees, including The Police, Emergency Services, Freight Transport Association, Road Haulage Association and the local County Councillor.