

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Proposed Bus Gate Restriction – Hornbeam Road, Fiddington

Proposals

The introduction of a Two-Way At Any Time Bus Gate restriction on Hornbeam Road, Fiddington, in the vicinity of the new housing development.

Reasons

The proposals are associated with the newly constructed housing estate adjacent to Hornbeam Road under planning reference 21/01488/38. The bus gate restriction aims to prevent vehicles other than those that are exempt from using the new housing estate as a shortcut to travel between the C87 and Dobbies Garden Centre, the new Cotswold Designer Outlet, the A46 and the M5.

The restriction will allow Buses, Taxis, Pedal Cycles and other Authorised Vehicles (Private Hire Vehicles) to use the Bus Gate, in line with other existing bus gate restrictions in Gloucestershire. It is anticipated that an Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) camera will be used to enforce the restrictions at all times in the future.

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 (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 Regulation Order.

Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 and Traffic Signs Manual

All of the associated signing and lining will be in accordance with the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 and Traffic Signs Manual Chapters 3 and 5.

Equality Act 2010

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

Residents and Statutory Consultations

A resident/business consultation process has been carried out whereby a letter and plan were delivered to residents/businesses directly affected by the proposals.

Consultation has also been carried out with Statutory Consultees, including The Police, Emergency Services, Freight Transport Association, Road Haulage Association and the local County Councillor.