

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Proposed Waiting and Stopping Restrictions – Various Roads, Abbeydale, Abbeymead and Barnwood Wards, Gloucester.

Proposals

The introduction of No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on Various Roads within the Abbeydale, Abbeymead and Barnwood Wards within the City of Gloucester, and No Stopping on School Entrance Markings Monday-Friday 8am-6pm restrictions on Mead Road, Abbeymead Ward, Gloucester.

Reasons

The proposed restrictions aim to prevent inappropriate and inconsiderate parking, double parking, parking close to junctions and parking where it causes obstructions to vehicles, including emergency service vehicles. The proposals also aim to prevent stopping on Mead Road in the vicinity of Abbeymead Primary School, in order to provide safer, unobstructed access to the school entrance and crossing points throughout the duration of the school day.

Additionally, the proposals will prevent parking close to junctions, bends, narrow sections of carriageway, and where it affects sight lines for vehicles and pedestrians, supplementing Rule 243 of the Highway Code (no parking within 10 metres of or opposite a junction). These measures also aim to improve road safety and amenity in the affected areas.

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 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. Following feedback received during this consultation, comments have been taken on board and the proposal has been amended where deemed suitable.

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.