

STATEMENT OF REASONS
for

City of Coventry (Middleborough Road) (Two Way Cycle Lane) Order 2022

It is proposed to create a two-way cycle lane on a section of Middleborough Road, as part of wider cycle network proposals to assist to improve access and safety, linking Coundon Cycleway and other future developments to the city centre. In addition to the 2-way cycle lane, a controlled zebra crossing and raised table are also proposed to be installed on Middleborough Road

The Director for Transportation & Highways has delegated powers to approve the publishing of Traffic Regulation Orders

EFFECT

1. This Statement of Reasons relates to the making of the following Road Traffic Regulation Order:-

City of Coventry (Middleborough Road) (Two Way Cycle Lane) Order 2022

- i. The general effect of these proposals will be to create a two-way cycle lane on the southern side of Middleborough Road from a point 77 (seventy seven) metres west of its junction with Mill Street, to a point 127 (one hundred and twenty seven) metres west of its junction with Mill Street

2. The Director for Transportation & Highways, has delegated powers to approve the publishing of all proposed Road Traffic Regulation Orders

REASONS

3. When considering whether to make a traffic order the Council is under a duty pursuant to S.122 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended), to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway having regard to the matters specified in S.122 (2). It is considered that the proposals will assist to improve the route for cyclists travelling along Middleborough Road and link to the Coundon Cycleway.

Furthermore; it is considered that the proposals will affect the matters specified in S.122 (2) as follows:

(a) the desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises;

Reasonable access to premises will be maintained.

(b) the effect on the amenities of any locality affected and..the importance of regulating and restricting the use of roads by heavy commercial vehicles, so as to improve the amenities of the areas through which the roads run;

The order does not increase accessibility for heavy goods vehicles

4. The proposed traffic order is to be implemented in accordance with Section 1(1), Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) as it appears to the Authority that it is expedient to make them –

- (a) for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising
- (f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs

5. The proposed changes and the authority's reasons are as follows:-

Middleborough Road – Two Way Cycle Lane

The proposed order will create a two-way cycle lane on the southern side of Middleborough Road from a point 77 metres west of its junction with Mill Street, to a point 127 metres west of its junction with Mill Street. These proposals, as part of wider cycle network proposals, should assist people to cycle as an alternative means of travel and improve access and safety, linking Coundon Cycleway and other future developments to the city centre.