

STATEMENT OF REASONS

City of Coventry (Two Friargate & Manor Road) (Waiting Restrictions) Order 2024

The area around Coventry railway station has continued to develop, including the creation of Two Friargate and a new road linking Station Square to Manor Road.

Due to these changes, it is proposed to revise the waiting restrictions in this area, installing a 'no waiting at any time' (double yellow lines) restriction on the newly created road to assist the movement of traffic, and to remove Manor Road from the existing Citywide Restricted Parking Zone whilst retaining the taxi rank and a small area of limited waiting.

The new length of road created as part of the infrastructure works is not yet named. Therefore, a plan is included to set out the revised highway layout.

The Director for City Services and Commercial has delegated powers to approve the publishing of all proposed Traffic Regulation Orders.

EFFECT

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

- **City of Coventry (Two Friargate & Manor Road) (Waiting Restrictions) Order 2024**

The general effect of this proposal will be to install a 'no waiting at any time' waiting restriction (double yellow lines) on the whole length of the new road created alongside Two Friargate, reduce the length of the existing limited waiting bay on Manor Road and where the limited waiting bay is removed replace with 'no waiting at any time'. In addition Manor Road will be removed from the City Centre Restricted Parking Zone area whilst retaining the taxi rank and existing prohibition of waiting.

2. The Director for City Services and Commercial, has delegated powers to approve the publishing of all proposed Road Traffic Regulation Orders

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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 generally assist to secure the safer movement of vehicular and pedestrian traffic. 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 remain. The proposals will assist with the movement of traffic.

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
- (c) for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians)
- (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:-

New road alongside Two Friargate - installation of prohibition of waiting

It is proposed to install a prohibition of waiting (double yellow lines) on the new road, both sides, to prevent parking to improve safety and traffic flow.

Manor Road – reduction in extent of limited waiting bay

It is proposed to reduce the extent of the existing short term parking/drop off bay (limited waiting, Mon – Sat, 8am – 6pm, 20 minutes, no return within 1 hour). This is due to the installation of a pedestrian dropped kerb, to assist pedestrians to cross the road, within the bay area; removing parking on the approach to the crossing point will improve visibility.

It is also proposed to remove Manor Road from the City Centre Restricted Parking Zone. The existing taxi restriction (rank) will remain. In addition, the existing areas of 24 hour prohibition of waiting will remain, but will be signed using double yellow lines.

The Plan referred to; the new road shaded black –

