

Statement of Reasons

THE WINCHESTER CITY (BARFIELD CLOSE AND ST CATHERINES VIEW) (OFF STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2003 (VARIATION No.4) ORDER 2021

In order to reduce coach movements through the centre of Winchester, additional coach parking spaces are being proposed at South Winchester Park & Ride. Coaches, using The Broadway as a drop off, would head to South Winchester via the motorway, rather traversing Winchester to park in the existing coach park at Worthy Lane.

The remaining amendments are to:-

1. update the interpretations as some statutory provisions and specifications detailed in the principal order are no longer in force.
2. include new definitions that relate to virtual tickets, electric vehicles, classes of vehicle and parking bays.
3. update and amend articles that need renewing and revising and to include virtual tickets and parking facilities for electric vehicles (which are already in operation in the car parks to which the principal and previous variation Orders relate to.)
4. update The Schedule to include all the Park & Ride sites and update the class of vehicle and prescribed charging hours columns (the charges to reflect those which have been payable since 6th October 2020 following a Notice of Variation of Off-Street Parking Charges).

SECTION 122 ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

The Council has a duty under Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 when making TROs to consider 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.

It is considered that these proposals will assist in the following:

- The National Air Quality Strategy
- Facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and of securing the safety and convenience of persons using or desiring to use such vehicles.

PUBLIC SECTOR EQUALITY DUTY

Thorough consideration was given to the equalities duty of the Council under Section 149 of the Equalities Act 2010. South Winchester Park & Ride has fully accessible facilities. The car park has HCC standard lighting throughout and is covered by CCTV. Access to the City Centre is provided by Park & Ride buses, accessible by acquiring a parking ticket

