

#### STATEMENT OF REASONS

## **REVOCATION OF A TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER**

# THE WINCHESTER CITY (GREYFRIARS CAR PARK & LOWER BROOK STREET PARKING)(REVOCATION) ORDER 2026

Winchester City Council proposes revoking The Hampshire (Various Roads)(Off Street Parking Places And Restriction Of Waiting) Order 2016 in its entirety.

The effect of this order will be to remove the Greyfriars private car parking area from the Winchester residents Controlled Parking Zone. The parking area will then allow only residents of the Greyfrairs residences to park their vehicles closer to their properties. The order will also remove five parking spaces on an off street area in Lower Brook Street from the Winchester residents Controlled Parking Zone and both parking areas will be brought back under WCC Housing Dept control.

Sections 122(1) and (2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 have been considered in the design of this proposal together with the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty under Section 149 of the Equalities Act 2010.

### Section 122 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

The Council has a duty under Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") 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. This requires the Council to weigh up several factors when making a decision to proceed with a proposal including if applicable:

- The desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises.
- The effect on the amenities of any locality affected and (without prejudice to the generality of this paragraph) the importance of regulating the use of roads by heavy commercial vehicles, so as to preserve or improve the amenities of the areas through which the roads run.
- The national air strategy.
- The importance of facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and of securing the safety and convenience of persons using or desiring to use such vehicles.
- Any other matters appearing to the Council to be applicable.

## **Public Sector Equality Duty**

An Equality Impact Assessment has taken place. Housing tenants will find it easier to secure a parking place nearer to their houses once the car park is under Housing Department control. If it appears that more disabled bays are needed for residents, a new bay could be requested for the Housing team to install, once the parking habits of the Greyfriars residents and the Zone N Permit users have settled into their new parking habits.