

**WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**

**THE WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**(POTFORD BRIDGE, LINDEN LANE, POLESWORTH)**  
**(7.5 TONNE WEIGHT LIMIT) ORDER 2021**

**1. BACKGROUND**

Following a structural assessment, a request has been received from the Bridge Maintenance Section of Warwickshire County Council, to make a structural weight limit order, the effect of which would be to impose a 7.5 tonnes weight limit on the bridge known as Potford Bridge on Linden Lane, Polesworth. This has resulted in the proposals below.

<b>Consultation Drawing Ref.</b>	<b>Location</b>
TR 11348/ 99	Potford Bridge, Linden Lane, Polesworth.

**2. STATEMENT OF REASONS**

**2.1 Potford Bridge, Linden Lane, Polesworth**

Linden Lane, Polesworth is to the north of Polesworth. It forms junctions with Shuttington Lane, Shuttington and Station Road, Polesworth, and passes under the M42 Motorway.

Previously, there was a temporary weight limit order in place along this route due to the weak bridge over Bramcote Brook (known as Potford Bridge), which is situated 175 metres south of the centreline of the M42 Motorway.

The proposal is to impose a 7.5 tonne structural weight limit on Potford Bridge for the purposes of:-

- (i) avoiding danger to persons or traffic using the road, or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising;
- (ii) preventing damage to the bridge; and
- (iii) preventing the use of the road by vehicular traffic of a kind which is unsuitable.

An alternative route for vehicles exceeding 7.5 tonnes is available via: \_

Shuttington Lane, Main Road, Astrey Lane, Newton Lane, No Mans Heath, Main Road, Bishops Cleeve, Warton Lane, Austrey Road, Maypole Road, Barn End Road, Orton Road, Orton Lane (and vice versa).