

WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

THE WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(BOROUGH OF RUGBY) (CIVIL ENFORCEMENT AREA)
(WAITING RESTRICTIONS, ON-STREET PARKING PLACES
AND RESIDENTS' PARKING) (CONSOLIDATION) (VARIATION NO. 15) ORDER
2026

Rugby CPE – Variation 15 - William Street, Charlotte Street, Arnold Street, Spring Street, Rugby - Waiting Restrictions

STATEMENT OF REASONS

1. BACKGROUND

Warwickshire County Council is proposing to vary the existing Warwickshire County Council (Borough Of Rugby) (Civil Enforcement Area) (Waiting Restrictions, On-Street Parking Places And Residents' Parking) (Consolidation) Order 2017 (as varied), the effect of which will be to amend the parking restrictions in William Street, Charlotte Street, Arnold Street and Spring Street in Rugby.

The four named streets above are all primarily residential streets located to the east of the town centre, close to some commercial premises on Railway Terrace and within extended walking distance of the main commercial and shopping area of the town. All available on-street parking in these streets is subject to daytime pay and display parking with exemptions for R2 residents' permit holders, while all other nearby streets with the same permit exemptions are subject to limited waiting restrictions with the same time constraints and hours of operation.

Analysis of pay & display income demonstrates that these four streets are generally relatively lightly used during the daytime in comparison with those directly outside commercial properties and generally retain some capacity for use by resident permit holders. Proposals are therefore to amend the waiting restrictions for non-permit holders from pay and display to free limited waiting, which in turn should aid in reducing demand for spaces in other nearby R2 permitted streets.

2. LEGAL FRAMEWORK

In deciding whether or not to make a Traffic Regulation Order, the Council is required to have regard to the matters set out in section 122 of the 1984 Act. Section 122(1) requires the Council to exercise the functions conferred on it by the 1984 Act as (so far as practicable having regard to the matters specified in section 122(2)) 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.

The matters to which the Council must have regard are:-

- the desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises
- 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 preserve or improve the amenities of the areas through which the roads run

- the national air quality strategy prepared under section 80 of the Environmental Protection Act 1995
- 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
- and any other matters appearing to the Council to be relevant

Therefore, whilst the overall objective of the Council must be to secure the expeditious convenient and safe movement of vehicular traffic this will sometimes need to give way to the objectives in section 122(2) and a balance has to be achieved between the overall objective and the matters set out in section 122(2).

Warwickshire County Council is proposing to make this Traffic Regulation Order based on the following legal grounds under the 1984 Act for the purpose of relieving or preventing congestion.

Providing limited waiting restrictions instead of pay and display rationalises the restrictions in the area, providing consistency across all residents' permit holders bays in the area for ease of enforcement and clarity to motorists.

The Council, as the Traffic Authority, is required to have regard to its duty under section 16 of the Traffic Management Act 2004, to manage the local road network to achieve as far as possible:

- securing the expeditious movement of traffic on the local road network; and
- facilitating the expeditious movement of traffic on road networks for which another authority is the Traffic Authority,
- having had regard to its other obligations, objectives and policies as far as possible.

The Council is required to have regard to its duty under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 in the making of these proposals, and give regard to advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it, and in particular, to the need to:

- remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- take steps to meet the needs of persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- encourage persons who share a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

Thorough consideration was given to the factors set out in Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and Section 16 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 in proposing this Traffic Regulation Order.

Thorough consideration was given to the equality's duty of the Council under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.

3. SCHEDULE

Proposed Limited Waiting, Monday – Saturday, 8am – 8pm, 1 Hour No Return in 2 Hours, Except Permit Holders R2

William Street, Rugby

North side, from a point 3 metres east of its junction with Railway Terrace, eastwards for 129 metres

Charlotte Street, Rugby

North side, from a point 11 metres east of its junction with Railway Terrace, eastwards for 128 metres

Arnold Street, Rugby

- (i) North side, from a point 3 metres east of its junction with Railway Terrace, eastwards for 88 metres
- (ii) North side, from a point 97 metres east of its junction with Railway Terrace, eastwards for 31 metres

Spring Street, Rugby

North side, from a point 12 metres east of its junction with Railway Terrace, eastwards for 110 metres

4. Existing Order to be varied

The Warwickshire County Council (Borough of Rugby) (Civil Enforcement Area) (Waiting Restrictions, On Street Parking Places and Residents' Parking) (Consolidation) Order 2017 (As Varied)

5. Plans

Scheme Location	Consultation Plan Ref.	Map Tile Ref.	Revision No
William Street, Rugby			
Charlotte Street, Rugby		EL98	6
Arnold Street, Rugby		EM98	3
Spring Street, Rugby			

Ends.