

WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

**THE WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(DISTRICT OF STRATFORD ON AVON) (CIVIL ENFORCEMENT AREA)
(WAITING RESTRICTIONS, ON STREET PARKING PLACES AND
RESIDENTS' PARKING) (CONSOLIDATION) (VARIATION NO. 13) ORDER 2026**

ALCESTER ROAD, STRATFORD-ON-AVON

STATEMENT OF REASONS

1. BACKGROUND

Warwickshire County Council is proposing to make a Traffic Regulation Order, pursuant to section 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to provide a 'Prohibition of Waiting at Any Time' restriction (double yellow lines) at the access to Stratford-upon-Avon High School and a new substation.

The proposed works involve the widening of the existing school accessway to accommodate pedestrian movements and bus drop-off activities. Uncontrolled pedestrian crossing points will be provided, incorporating dropped kerbs and tactile paving to improve accessibility and pedestrian safety. The double yellow lines will be extended to protect the increased width of the accessway and to maintain unobstructed access at all times to both the school and the substation.

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: -

(a) for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for 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).

The proposed extension to the existing double yellow lines will discourage obstructive parking at this location which will alleviate danger to persons or other traffic and facilitate the passage of traffic (including pedestrians).

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 No Waiting at Any Time

Alcester Road, Stratford-on-Avon

From a point approximately 25m east of the centre line to the entrance of Stratford-upon-Avon High School, westwards for approximately 54m.

4. EXISTING ORDER TO BE VARIED

The Warwickshire County Council (District of Stratford on Avon) (Civil Enforcement Area) (Waiting Restrictions, On Street Parking Places and Residents' Parking) (Consolidation) Order 2017

5. PLAN:

Scheme Location	Consultation Plan ref.	Map Tile Ref.	Revision No.
Alcester Road, Stratford-on-Avon	PTRO26 025	HO35	2

Ends.