# THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLE ZONE) ORDER 2024 THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (ONE WAY TRAFFIC) ORDER 2024

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#### THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (LOADING BAY) ORDER 2024

NOTICE is given that the Hertfordshire County Council in order to improve road safety and the amenities of the area proposes under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to introduce new restrictions on George Street, St Albans as specified in the Schedules to this Notice.

Documents giving more detailed particulars of the proposals may be viewed from 7 March 2024 during office hours, at Main Reception, Hertfordshire County Council, County Hall, Pegs Lane, Hertford, or on-line at <a href="https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/trafficorders">www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/trafficorders</a> by selecting St Albans and looking at Ref: SA00424.

General enquiries relating to the proposals should be referred to the Highways Engineer concerned Ross Corben on tel: 0300 123 4047 or <a href="mailto:ross.corben@hertfordshire.gov.uk">ross.corben@hertfordshire.gov.uk</a>.

Objections or other representations to the proposals should be made in writing to <a href="mailto:tro.team@hertfordshire.gov.uk">tro.team@hertfordshire.gov.uk</a> or TRO Services Team, Postal Point (CHO242), County Hall, Pegs Lane, Hertford, SG13 8DN by 28 March 2024 stating the grounds on which they are made.

SCHEDULE 1: Pedestrian and cycle zone - no motor vehicles Saturday 11.00am-Midnight, Sunday at any time & Monday Midnight-7.00am – that section of road listed below and as set out in the Order and accompanying plan - George Street, between No. 1 George Street and its junction with Spicer Street.

**SCHEDULE 2:** One way traffic except pedal cycles – that section of road listed below and as set out in the Order and accompanying plan – George Street, between No. 1 George Street and its junction with Spicer Street.

**SCHEDULE 3:** Mandatory Contraflow Cycle Lane – that section of road listed below and as set out in the Order and accompanying plan – George Street, between No. 1 George Street and its junction with Spicer Street.

**SCHEDULE 4:** No waiting or loading at any time – those sections of road listed below and as set out in the Order and accompanying plan – parts of George Street, High Street, Verulam Road and Romeland.

**SCHEDULE 5:** Loading bay – that section of road listed below and as set out in the Order and accompanying plan – George Street, the north side, outside Nos. 18 to 21 George Street.

Consulting on this scheme is a statutory duty of the County Council. Any personal data you provide in responding to this Notice will be treated as confidential but will be shared with HCC Officers; County Councillors and contracted third parties who are involved in the statutory process. We will not share identifiable data with third parties outside of the statutory process. Guidance on your rights in respect of personal data are published in the Privacy Policy on our website, Hertfordshire.gov.uk

County Hall Hertford Herts SG13 8DN 7 March 2024 Mark Doran Executive Director, Growth and Environment

#### **ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**

Date of Order: Order No:

### THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (PEDESTRIAN and CYCLE ZONE) ORDER 2024

The Hertfordshire County Council in exercise of their powers under Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (which said Act of 1984 is hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1984"), and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Act of 1984 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 of the Act of 1984, hereby make the following Order:-

- - (b) The Hertfordshire (George Street, St Albans) (Pedestrian and Cycle Zone) Order 2024 plan numbered **SA00424 PZP** inclusive of the key therein, is incorporated into this Order, as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

#### 2. Interpretation

In this Order -

- (a) "civil enforcement officer" has the meaning as given in the Traffic Management Act;
- (b) "hand-held device", means a portable computing device which can transmit data to and receive data from the electronic parking permits management system for the purposes of verifying if valid permits have been granted or issued in respect of vehicles left in any parking place specified on plan SA00424 PZP;
- (c) 'motor vehicle' shall have the meaning as given in Section 136(1) Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.
- (d) 'pedal cycle' shall have the meaning as given in The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 Part 2, Schedule 1.
- (e) "Pedestrian and Cycle Zone" means that length of George Street, St Albans as specified on plan **SA00424 PZP** and in its key therein.
- (f) "permit holder" shall have the meaning as any person who is the holder of a valid permit issued by St Albans District Council which entitles a motor vehicle being used by the holder to enter the Pedestrian and Cycle Zone during restricted hours.
- (g) "relevant position" means a vehicle displays a permit in the relevant position if:
  - (i) in the case of a vehicle fitted with a dashboard or fascia panel, the permit is exhibited thereon so that it is legible from outside the vehicle; or
  - (ii) in the case of vehicle not fitted with a dashboard or fascia panel, the permit is exhibited in a conspicuous position on the vehicle so that it is legible from outside the vehicle.
- (h) "restricted hours" shall have the meaning as those days and times specified on plan **SA00424 PZP**.
- (i) "universal service provider", "provision of a universal postal Service" and "postal packet" shall bear the same meanings as in Section 65 of the Postal Services Act 2011.

- (j) "valid permit" shall have the meaning as a permit issued by St Albans District Council in a form prescribed by that Council, which entitles a motor vehicle being used by a permit holder to enter the Pedestrian and Cycle Zone during the restricted hours.
- 3. Save as provided in Article 4 to this Order no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or be in the Pedestrian and Cycle Zone as defined within Article 2(e) where motor vehicles are not allowed during the restricted hours as shown on and defined in the key to plan **SA00424 PZP**.
- 4. Nothing in Article 3 of this Order applies in relation to -
  - (a) a motor vehicle being used by a permit holder on which there is either displayed in the relevant position a valid permit or in respect of which there is an indication via a hand-held device that there has been granted a valid permit.
  - (b) a motor vehicle being used to gain access to, or egress from, any property or on-street parking place, located within the Pedestrian and Cycle Zone.
  - (c) a vehicle being used for Fire and Rescue, Ambulance or Police purposes.
  - (d) anything done with the permission of or at the direction of a Police Constable in uniform.
  - (e) a vehicle which is being used for one or more of the following purposes and which cannot reasonably be used for such a purpose without entering or being in the Pedestrian and Cycle Zone:
    - (i) any operation involving building, demolition or excavation;
    - (ii) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;
    - (iii) the maintenance (including winter maintenance), improvement or reconstruction of a road:
    - (iv) constructing, improving, maintaining, or cleaning of any street furniture; or
    - (v) the laying, erection, alteration, repair or cleaning of any sewer or of any main pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity, or of any telecommunications apparatus kept or installed for the purposes of a telecommunications code system or of any other telecommunications apparatus lawfully kept installed in any position.
  - (f) a marked vehicle which, whilst used by a universal service provider in the course of the provision of a universal postal service, is required to enter or be in the Pedestrian and Cycle Zone to enable postal packets to be delivered or collected.
- 5. The Hertfordshire County Council in making this Order are satisfied that this Order is required to avoid the likelihood of danger to persons using those lengths of road specified in Article 2(e) of this Order.
- 6. In accordance with Section 92 of the said Act of 1984 upon the coming into effect of this Order, gates will be placed at the entrance to the Pedestrian and Cycle Zone as specified in Article 2(e) of this Order.
- 7. The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
- 8. The following Order is hereby revoked:
  - The Hertfordshire (George Street, St Albans) (Pedestrian and Cycle Zone) (Experimental) Order 2022
- 9. The restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation from any restriction or requirement imposed by any other regulations made or having effect as if made under the Act of 1984 or by or under any other enactment.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Schedule	Plan - SA00424 PZP

Signed:

Charlotte McKay Assistant Chief Legal Officer Environment Law / Legal Services

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984** 

Date of Order: Order No:

### THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (CYCLE LANE) ORDER 2024

The Hertfordshire County Council in exercise of their powers under Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1984") and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 of the Act of 1984 hereby make the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as "The Hertfordshire (George Street, St Albans) (Cycle Lane) Order 2024" and shall come into operation on......

#### 2. Interpretation:

(a) "cycle lane" means that area of carriageway on the north side of George Street, St Albans, which is bounded by the edge of the carriageway and a traffic sign consisting of a sign marked thereon of the size type and colour as specified in the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 and is designated for the passage of pedal cycles:

without prejudice to the generality of the above paragraph where a single white line marking the boundary of the cycle lane is broken by a gap at the junction of any road with the length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order the boundary shall nevertheless be regarded as continuing unbroken.

- (b) 'pedal cycle' has the same meaning as assigned to it in The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016, Part 2 (Traffic Signs Regulations 2016) Schedule 1 Regulation 2.
- 3. Except as provided by Article 4 to this Order, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or be in the cycle lane in George Street, St Albans as specified in the Schedule to this Order.
- 4. Nothing in Article 3 to this Order shall apply to:
  - (a) a pedal cycle using the cycle lane for the purpose of travelling south-east from its junction with Spicer Street to a point in line with the south-eastern boundary of No. 1 George Street.
  - (b) a vehicle being used for Fire and Rescue, Ambulance or Police purposes.
  - (c) Highways maintenance vehicles for the purpose of maintenance of the highway, street cleaning or other statutory duties where the vehicle cannot reasonably be used without entering the cycle lane.
  - (d) any person causing or permitting any vehicle to enter or proceed in the cycle lane from any vehicular access way or crossing, over the footway adjoining the cycle lane if that vehicle on entering George Street forthwith leaves the cycle lane at a point opposite that vehicular access way or crossing.
  - (e) anything done at the direction of or with permission of a Police Constable in uniform.
  - (f) any case where the person in control of the vehicle is required by law to stop in the cycle lane or is obliged to do so in order to avoid an accident and as soon as reasonably practical thereafter, causes that vehicle to leave the cycle lane.
- 5. The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

#### SCHEDULE Length of George Street, St Albans – Cycle Lane

George Street (north side)	between the eastern kerb-line of Spicer Street and a point in line with the south-eastern boundary of No. 1 George Street.

Signed:

Charlotte McKay Assistant Chief Legal Officer Environment Law / Legal Services

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984** 

Date of Order: Order No:

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (ONE WAY TRAFFIC) ORDER 2024

The Hertfordshire County Council in exercise of their powers under Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1984") and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Act of 1984 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 of the Act of 1984 hereby make the following Order:-

- 1. (1) This Order may be cited as "The Hertfordshire (George Street, St Albans) (One Way Traffic) Order 2024" shall come into operation on......
  - (2) The Hertfordshire (George Street, St Albans) (One Way Traffic) Order 2024 Plan numbered **SA00424 OW**, inclusive of the key therein, is incorporated into this Order as set out in the Schedule to this Order.
  - No person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to proceed along that length of George Street, St Albans, between a point in line with the south-eastern boundary of No. 1 George Street and the eastern kerb-line of Spicer Street, in any direction other than in a north westerly direction, as shown on and defined in plan SA00424 OW.
  - 3. The restrictions imposed by Article 2 of this Order shall not apply in respect of: (a) pedal cycles; and
    - (b) anything done at the direction of a Police Constable in uniform.
    - In sub –Article (a) above, 'pedal cycle' has the meaning as given in The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016, Schedule 1, Regulation 2.
  - 4. The following Order is hereby revoked:
    - The Hertfordshire (George Street, St Albans) (One Way Traffic Except Pedal Cycles) (Experimental) Order 2022
  - 5. The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Schedule	Plan - SA00424 OW

Signed:

Charlotte McKay
Assistant Chief Legal Officer
Environment Law / Legal Services

#### **ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**

Date of Order: Order No:

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, HIGH STREET, VERULAM ROAD AND ROMELAND, ST ALBANS) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND LOADING) ORDER 2024

The Hertfordshire County Council in exercise of their powers under Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (which said Act of 1984 is hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1984"), and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police hereby make the following Order:-

- The Hertfordshire (George Street, High Street, Verulam Road and Romeland, St Albans)
   (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading) Order 2024 Plan numbered SA00424 WR,
   inclusive of its key, is incorporated into this Order, as listed in the Schedule to this Order.

#### 3. Interpretation -

In this Order, except where the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meaning hereby respectively assigned to them:

"penalty charge" and "penalty charge notice" have the same meaning as prescribed by The Civil Enforcement of Road Traffic Contraventions (Approved Devices, Charging Guidelines and General Provisions) (England) Regulations 2022 and the provisions of Part 6 and Schedule 9 of the Traffic Management Act 2004;

"postal packet" shall bear the same meaning as in Section 65 of the Postal Services Act 2011;

"provision of a universal postal Service" shall bear the same meaning as in Section 65 of the Postal Services Act 2011;

"universal service provider" shall bear the same meaning as in Section 65 of the Postal Services Act 2011.

- 4. Save as provided in Article 5 of this Order no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to wait, load or unload on areas of road or sides of the road as shown on plan SA00424 WR where waiting, loading and unloading is not allowed as identified on plan SA00424 WR and the key thereof.
- 5. Nothing in Article 4 of this Order applies in relation to -
  - (a) a vehicle being used for Fire and Rescue, Ambulance or Police purposes.
  - (b) anything done with the permission of or at the direction of a Police Constable in uniform, or with permission of a Civil Enforcement Officer as defined by the Traffic Management Act 2004 and appointed by St Albans City & District Council.
  - (c) a vehicle which is being used for one or more of the following purposes and which cannot reasonably be used for such a purpose without stopping in the lengths of road restricted by that Article:
    - (i) any operation involving building, demolition or excavation;
    - (ii) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;
    - (iii) the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of a road;

- (iv) constructing, improving, maintaining, or cleaning of any street furniture; or
- (v) the laying, erection, alteration, repair or cleaning of any sewer or of any main pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity, or of any telecommunications apparatus kept or installed for the purposes of a telecommunications code system or of any other telecommunications apparatus lawfully kept installed in any position.
- (d) a marked vehicle which, whilst used by a universal service provider in the course of the provision of a universal postal service, is waiting only for long as is reasonably necessary to enable postal packets to be delivered or collected.
- 6. Nothing in Article 4 of this Order applies to the lengths of road restricted by that Article (as specified on plan **SA00424 WR**) so as to render it unlawful to cause or permit any vehicle to wait only for so long as may be reasonably necessary to enable a passenger to board or alight and to load and unload any luggage from that vehicle.
- 7. The restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation from any restriction or requirement imposed by any other regulations made or having effect as if made under the Act of 1984 or by or under any other enactment.
- 8. The provisions of the following Order are hereby revoked only in so far as they are affected by the restrictions imposed by this Order:
  - The City & District of St Albans (Control of Parking) (Consolidation) Order 2023
- 9. The following Order is hereby revoked:

The Hertfordshire (George Street, Verulam Road, High Street, Romeland Hill and Romeland, St Albans) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting) (Experimental) Order 2022

10. The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

#### **SCHEDULE**

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Signed:

Charlotte McKay
Assistant Chief Legal Officer
Environment Law / Legal Services

#### **ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**

Date of Order: Order No:

### THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (LOADING BAY) ORDER 2024

The Hertfordshire County Council in exercise of their powers under Sections 32 and 35 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (which said Act of 1984 is hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1984"), and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Act of 1984 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police hereby make the following Order:-

- 2. The Hertfordshire (George Street, St Albans) (Loading Bay) Order 2024 Plan numbered **SA00424 LB**, is incorporated into this Order, as listed in the Schedule to this Order.

#### 3. Interpretation -

In this Order, except where the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meaning hereby respectively assigned to them:

"civil enforcement officer" has the meaning as given in the Traffic Management Act;

"Council" means St Albans District Council:

"loading bay" means an area indicated by contrasting road surfacing or white road markings to show the position in which a vehicle may be parked for the purpose of loading and unloading goods, as specified on plan **SA00424 LB**.

"penalty charge" shall have the same meaning as a charge set by the Council in accordance with The Civil Enforcement of Road Traffic Contraventions (Approved Devices, Charging Guidelines and General Provisions) (England) Regulations 2022 and the provisions of Part 6 and Schedule 9 of the Traffic Management Act 2004;

"penalty charge notice" shall mean a notice issued by a Civil Enforcement Officer in accordance with The Civil Enforcement of Road Traffic Contraventions (Approved Devices, Charging Guidelines and General Provisions) (England) Regulations 2022 and the provisions of Part 6 and Schedule 9 of the Traffic Management Act 2004;

"postal packet" shall bear the same meaning as in Section 65 of the Postal Services Act 2011.

"provision of a universal postal Service" shall bear the same meaning as in Section 65 of the Postal Services Act 2011.

"universal service provider" shall bear the same meaning as in Section 65 of the Postal Services Act 2011.

- 4. That length of George Street, St Albans identified on plan SA00424 LB as a loading bay is hereby authorised as a loading bay, for use by vehicles for the purposes of loading or unloading goods at any time.
- Save as provided in Article 6, where in Article 4 of this Order a length of George Street, St Albans is identified as authorised for use as a loading bay, the driver of a vehicle shall not permit the vehicle to wait in that loading bay unless it is;
  - (a) a vehicle being used to load or unload goods; and
  - (b) wholly parked within the marked limits of the loading bay.

- 6. (1) Nothing in Article 4 of this Order applies to the length of road described by that Article (as specified on plan **SA00424 LB**) in relation to
  - (a) a vehicle being used for Fire and Rescue, Ambulance or Police purposes.
  - (b) anything done with the permission of or at the direction of a Police Constable in uniform or with permission of a Civil Enforcement Officer as defined by the Traffic Management Act 2004 and appointed by the Council;
  - (c) a vehicle which is prevented from proceeding by circumstances beyond the drivers control or which has stopped in order to avoid injury or damage to persons or property or when required to do so by law;
  - (d) a vehicle which is stationary in order that it may be used for one or more of the purposes specified in sub-Article (2) of this Article and which cannot reasonably be used for such a purpose without stopping in that length of George Street, St Albans as shown on plan SA00424 LB;
  - (e) a marked vehicle which, whilst used by a universal service provider in the course of the provision of a universal postal service, is stationary only for so long as may be reasonably necessary for postal packets to be delivered or collected.
  - (2) The "purposes" referred to in sub-Article (1)(d) of this Article are
    - (a) any operation involving building, demolition or excavation;
    - (b) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;
    - (c) the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of a road;
    - (d) constructing, improving, maintaining, or cleaning of any street furniture; or
    - (e) the laying, erection, alteration, repair or cleaning of any sewer or of any main pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity, or of any telecommunications apparatus kept or installed for the purposes of a telecommunications code system or of any other telecommunications apparatus lawfully kept installed in any position.
- 7.(1) If a vehicle (other than a vehicle otherwise exempted by this Order) is left in contravention of any Article or provision of this Order, a penalty charge shall be payable.
  - (2) In the case of a vehicle in respect of which a penalty charge is payable, a penalty charge notice may be issued in accordance with the Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (England) General Regulations 2007.
  - (3) The penalty charge shall be paid to the Council in accordance with the instructions and within the time limits specified on the penalty charge notice.
- 8. The restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation from any restriction or requirement imposed by any other regulations made or having effect as if made under the Act of 1984 or by or under any other enactment.
- 9. The provisions of the following Order are hereby revoked only in so far as they are affected by the restrictions imposed by this Order:
  - The City & District of St Albans (Control of Parking) (Consolidation) Order 2023
- 10. The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

### **SCHEDULE**

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Signed:

Charlotte McKay Assistant Chief Legal Officer Environment Law / Legal Services



#### STATEMENT OF REASONS

### THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLE ZONE) ORDER 2024

### THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (ONE WAY TRAFFIC) ORDER 2024

THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (CYCLE LANE) ORDER 2024

THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, VERULAM ROAD, HIGH STREET AND ROMELAND, ST ALBANS) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND LOADING) ORDER 20224

#### THE HERTFORDSHIRE (GEORGE STREET, ST ALBANS) (LOADING BAY) ORDER 2024

Hertfordshire County Council propose to introduce a new pedestrian and cycle zone, a new permanent one way traffic designation, a mandatory contraflow cycle lane and a loading bay in George Street, and new waiting and loading restrictions in George Street, Verulam Road, High Street and Romeland, St Albans.

The proposals comprise of -

- a Pedestrian and Cycle Zone effecting George Street, between a point in line with the south east boundary of No. 1 George Street and its junction with Spicer Street, operating on Saturdays 11.00am - Midnight, Sundays at any time and Mondays Midnight - 7.00am. Access to properties or on-street parking places located within the Pedestrian and Cycle Zone would be maintained.
- a one way traffic restriction effecting George Street, between a point in line with the south east boundary of No. 1 George Street and its junction with Spicer Street, effective at all times in a north-westerly direction, with an exemption for pedal cycles.
- a mandatory contraflow cycle lane effecting George Street, between a point in line with the south east boundary of No. 1 George Street and its junction with Spicer Street, effective at all times.
- a prohibition and restriction of waiting and loading effecting parts of George Street,
   Verulam Road, High Street and Romeland. The restrictions would operate at any time.
- a loading bay on the north side of George Street, outside Nos. 19 21 George Street.

The permanent Traffic Regulation Orders follow an experimental trial of restricted motor vehicle access to George Street to create a safe and vehicle free space for pedestrians and users of the Town Centre while supporting the function and economic activity of the street. Feedback from residents, businesses and stakeholders has been incorporated into the proposals.

The proposals provide for commercial activities in High Street in a balanced way, as the proposed prohibition applies to only a limited time period.

The proposals seek to reduce motor vehicle movements through the prohibition of motor vehicles, restriction of parking and prevention of waiting and loading, which would bring benefits in reducing air pollution caused by vehicles accessing and / or idling in the High Street where pedestrian activity is high. The proposals also support objectives to increase walking and cycling as an alternative to motor vehicle trips.

Therefore, having also considered the duty imposed under Section 122 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, it appears to the Highway Authority that it is necessary and expedient to make Orders in the interests of preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

The proposals have been subject to consultation with local and County Councillors representing the area and St Albans City and District Council. The local Police, Ambulance, Fire & Rescue Services, Hertfordshire County Council Passenger Transport Unit and affected residents have also been consulted.







