



ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNCIL (MEMORIAL ROAD, HANHAM) (RESTRICTION OF WAITING) ORDER 202(-)

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Background

The lockdown response to the Covid-19 pandemic has led to people using vehicles less and taking daily exercise more and we have a unique opportunity to 'lock in' the benefits of active travel, reduced air pollution and reduced carbon emissions. Traffic was at the same level as it was in the 1950's but is increasing daily and cycling in some locations is double pre-Covid-19 levels.

On the 9 May the Department for Transport issued statutory guidance of the reallocation of road space to encourage cycling and walking and enable social distancing. Measures needed to be taken quickly given the urgent need to change travel habits before the 'restart' following lockdown takes full effect. We are still required to practise 'social-distancing' and the expectation is that this will continue for the foreseeable future.

A priority area to meet these statutory requirements is to provide safe access for pupils and families attending schools.

Purpose of Scheme

The purpose of this scheme is to install a limited waiting in the lay-by outside the schools to allow a short period of time for parents to use the bay to pick up and drop of their children.

Proposed Scheme

The proposed limited waiting is to be between Monday and Friday, 7am until 10am and 2pm until 4pm with a maximum stay of 10 minutes and no return within 1 hour.

Drawing Reference

Drawing number T308-684-04 shows the extents of the proposed limited waiting.