

STATEMENT OF REASONS

DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER THE BOROUGH OF DACORUM (OLD FISHERY LANE, HEMEL HEMPSTEAD) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING AT ANY TIME) ORDER 2023

Proposals

It is proposed to implement new No Waiting at Any Time (Double Yellow Line) restrictions on Old Fishery Lane, both sides from its junction with Chaulden Lane for its entire length (including the turning head).

Reasons

Concerns have been raised regarding vehicles parking on Old Fishery Lane causing obstruction and blocking the Highway. Old Fishery Lane is a narrow single-track lane as well as a no through road, therefore inconsiderate parking by visitors to the canal and local walking routes causes access issues for public service vehicles such as waste collection and or the emergency services.

It is also critical that the turning head at the southern most point of Old Fishery Lane is kept clear as there are no other places to turn around to exit the lane.

It is therefore proposed to introduce No Waiting at Any Time (double yellow line) restrictions on both sides of the entire lane, thereby preventing the current trends of inappropriate parking here.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

The specific grounds with which the Council are using for the implementation of the proposed scheme as above are encompassed in the following sections of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 for making a Traffic Regulation Order:

- Section 1 (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.
- Section 1 (c) For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).
- Section 1 (f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

Thorough consideration was also given to the factors set out in Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 in proposing this Traffic Regulation Order which include:

- Section 122(2)(a) Securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises
- Section 122(2)(c) Facilitating the passage of public service vehicles

Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 and Traffic Signs Manual

All of the associated signing and lining will be in accordance with the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 and Traffic Signs Manual Chapter 3 and 5.

Equality Act 2010

Thorough consideration has been given to the equalities duty of the Council under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.

Residents and Statutory Consultations

A Public Consultation (Notice of Proposal) process is now due to take place, hence the publication of these documents. This will allow the general public and Statutory Consultees the opportunity to issue any comments or observations for a period of at least 3 weeks.

The results of this upcoming consultation will be analysed and used to determine how to proceed with this scheme.

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