



## PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

### INDIVIDUAL DECISION BY THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR PLANNING AND TRANSPORT

#### TOPIC – CONTRA-FLOW CYCLING, KINGS HEAD YARD, WINCHESTER

#### PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

The Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 4, Section 22 of the Council's Constitution provides for a decision to be made by an individual member of Cabinet.

In accordance with the Procedure Rules, the Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Executive and the Chief Finance Officer are consulted together with Chairman and Vice Chairman of The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and any other relevant overview and scrutiny committee. In addition, all Members are notified.

If five or more Members from those informed so request, the Leader may require the matter to be referred to Cabinet for determination.

#### Contact Officers:

**Case Officer:** Sara Kendall – Traffic & Transport Engineer Tel: 01962 848241.  
Email: skendall@winchester.gov.uk

**Democratic Services Officer:** Nancy Graham. Senior Democratic Services Officer.  
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#### SUMMARY

- Kings Head Yard is a one way road joining Little Minister Street with St Thomas Street. The proposed contra-flow cycling along Kings Head Yard was identified as a scheme, which would help the city become more accessible to cyclists, by the Winchester Cycling Working Group. The scheme is also part of the action plans for the Winchester Town Access Plan, Hampshire County Council's District Statement and the Winchester District Cycling Strategy.
- The cycling contra-flow will allow cyclists from the west to access the east of the city. Cyclists can then access The Square through the alleyway, by dismounting their bicycles and then carrying on through to The Square. They can also access the High Street from this point, although pedestrianised, cyclists can wheel their bikes from shop to shop.
- Due to recent changes in regulations by the Department of Transport, local authorities are now approved to erect a 'except cycling' sign with an existing 'No

Entry' sign. Local Authorities can also erect a 'contra-flow cycling without lane' sign without prior approval from the Department of Transport. These two changes in regulations have meant that it is less arduous for Winchester City Council to propose these types of schemes.

- Any contra-flow cycling scheme proposed by the City Council will have had to be safety audited by Hampshire County Council. This scheme was safety audited in November 2012 and the recommendations from that audit were incorporated into the scheme.
- The proposal is in keeping with the Corporate Priorities in its attempt to improve traffic management, road safety and the environment.
- Two letters of support were received to the proposals.
- One letter of objection was received to the proposals. The objector is concerned with cyclists who currently cycle along the alleyway to The Square. They feel that this proposal will encourage more cyclists to ride along the alleyway which is adopted footway and not designated for cycling. Although illegal cycling on footways can be an issue, the majority of cyclists are law abiding and would not want the actions of few to unfairly prohibit increased access for this sustainable transport mode.
- The cost of the proposal will be funded through the Traffic Management Agency Agreement with Hampshire County Council. There are no additional enforcement costs.
- Copies of the plans showing the locations of the proposals are attached (Appendix 1).
- Copies of proposed schedule and a statement of reasons are attached (Appendix 2).
- Copy of the proposal notice is attached (Appendix 3).
- Copy of the advertised order is attached (Appendix 4).

## **DECISION**

That the 'contra-flow cycling without lane' proposal be introduced in those roads stated above as advertised and the Head of Legal Services be authorised to make the necessary order.

## **REASON FOR THE DECISION AND OTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED**

See Summary

**RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**

The cost of advertising and implementing the traffic regulation order is covered by the Traffic Management agreement with Hampshire County Council.

**CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN ON THE DECISION**

- The scheme was submitted to the local Ward Members, Portfolio Holder, County Councillor and Police for their approval to proceed formally.
- Proposal notices were placed in the Mid Hants Observer and posted on street accordingly. (Appendix 3)
- The residents directly affected by the proposals were informed of the advert.

**FURTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF THE DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE**

Two ward members raised concerns about the proposal at the PHD stage. The concerns were not directed at the proposal itself but at any knock on effect that the proposal may have. The councillors were concerned that the proposal may lead to an increase of cyclists illegally riding their bicycles along the alleyway that leads from Little Minster Street to The Square, and not dismounting.

To combat these concerns a 'Cycling Dismount' sign will be installed along that alleyway and the area will be reviewed in a years time.

**DECLARATION OF INTERESTS BY THE DECISION MAKER OR A MEMBER OR OFFICER CONSULTED**

None.

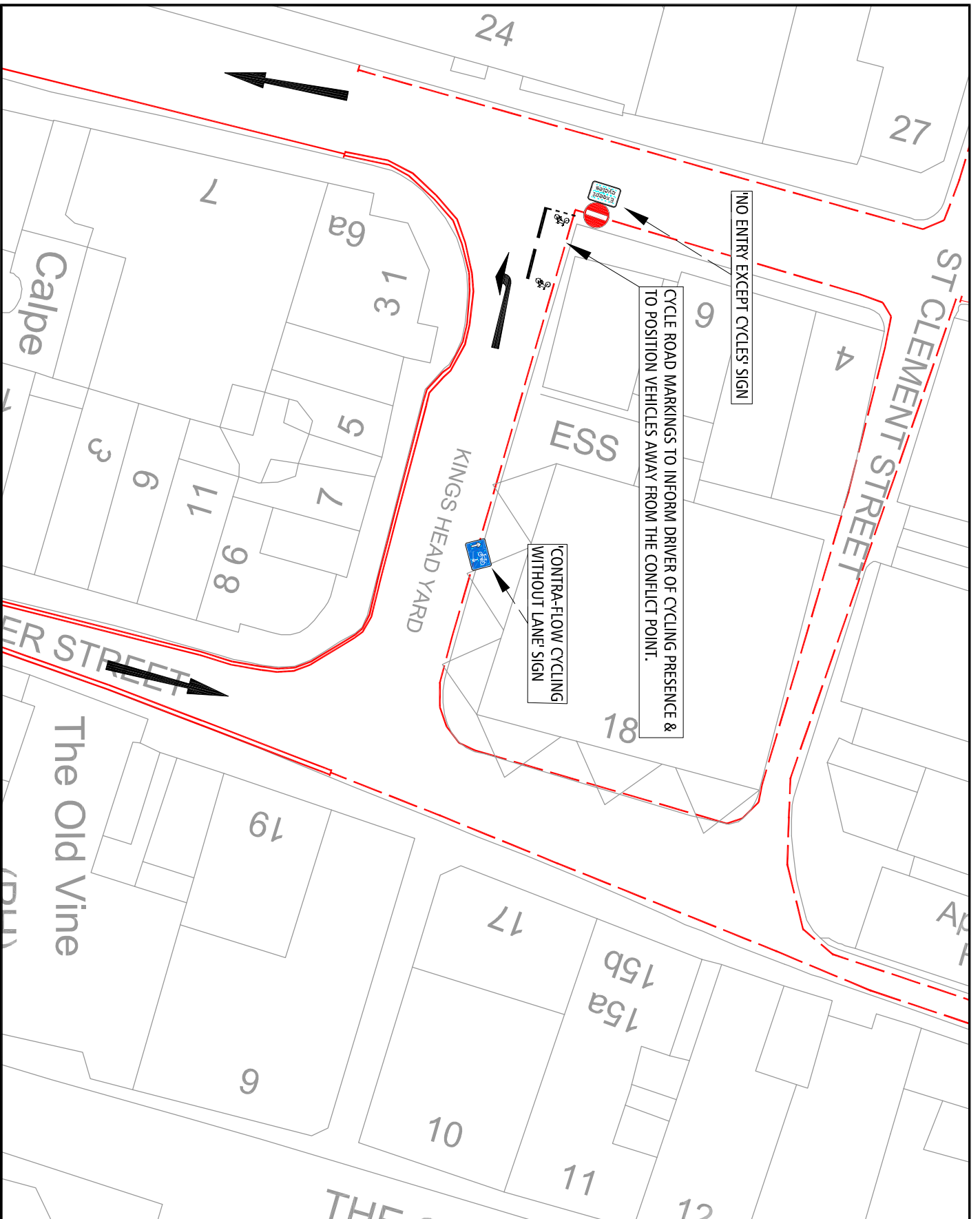
**DISPENSATION GRANTED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

None.

Approved by: (signature)

Date of Decision: 14.05.13

Councillor Weston – Portfolio Holder for Planning and Transport



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**Winchester**  
 City Council

OPERATIONS GROUP  
 ACCESS & INFRASTRUCTURE  
 City Offices  
 Colebrook Street  
 Winchester,  
 SO23 9JL



Project:  
 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT  
 TRAFFIC ORDERS

Title:  
 KINGS HEAD YARD  
 WINCHESTER  
 NO ENTRY EXCEPT CYCLES  
 CYLING CONTRAFLOW

Scale: NTS	Date: 12/04/2012
Drawn: SK	Checked:
DRG. No. 810402/175/002	Status:

**PROPOSED VARIATION TO ORDER-**

WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

THE CITY OF WINCHESTER (CENTRAL AREA) TRAFFIC REGULATION (CONSOLIDATION)  
ORDER 1984

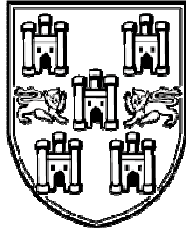
**STATEMENT OF REASONS:-**

To allow contraflow cycling without a lane, on Kings Head Yard. This scheme is detailed on the Winchester District Cycling Strategy Action Plan, the Winchester Town Access Plan Action Plan and the Hampshire County Council District Statement.

**PROPOSED ITEMS:-**

THE CITY OF WINCHESTER (CENTRAL AREA) TRAFFIC REGULATION (CONSOLIDATION)  
ORDER 1984 (VARIATION NO.1) 2013

<b>ONE-WAY TRAFFIC EXCEPT CYCLING</b>		
<b>NAME OF ROAD</b>	<b>DIRECTION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
KINGS HEAD YARD	WESTERLY	BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH LITTLE MINSTER STREET AND ST THOMAS STREET.



## TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

### Notice of Proposals of making of Road Traffic Regulation Order Affecting the District of Winchester City Council

Winchester City Council as agents for Hampshire County Council proposes making the undermentioned road traffic regulation order:-

#### THE CITY OF WINCHESTER (CENTRAL AREA) TRAFFIC REGULATION (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 1984 (VARIATION NO.1) 2013

The effect of this order will be to allow contraflow cycling without a lane in Kings Head Yard

Road Name	Direction	Description
Kings Head Yard	Westerly	Between its junction with Little Minster Street and St Thomas Street

#### FURTHER DETAILS:

A copy of this notice, the proposed orders, maps showing the location and the effect of the proposals, a statement of reasons and the order to be varied may be inspected during usual office hours at the following place:-

- City Offices, Colebrook Street, Winchester, SO23 9LJ

A copy of the proposed order and location map are available to view online at:

[www.winchester.gov.uk/roads-highways/traffic-regulation-orders](http://www.winchester.gov.uk/roads-highways/traffic-regulation-orders)

OBJECTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS: All objections and other representations in respect of this proposal must state the grounds on which they are made, and be received by 15<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

Objections and representations may be sent to the undersigned by:

- Email to [legal@winchester.gov.uk](mailto:legal@winchester.gov.uk)
- In writing to the undersigned below

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2013

H. N. Bone,  
Head of Legal Services  
Winchester City Council  
City Offices  
Colebrook Street  
Winchester  
Hampshire  
SO23 9LJ



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currently proposed by WCC

WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

THE CITY OF WINCHESTER (CENTRAL AREA) TRAFFIC REGULATION  
(CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 1984 (VARIATION NO.1) 2013

:-

Winchester City Council acting on behalf of Hampshire County Council in exercise of its powers under sections under Sections 1,2 4,32,35,45,46,49,51 and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (" the Act"), as amended by the Road Traffic Regulation (Parking) Act 1986, Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Act , and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, hereby makes the following order :-

1. In this order the "Principal Order " means "The City of Winchester (Central Area) Traffic Regulation (Consolidation) Order 1984" as amended.
  
2. The Principal Order shall have effect in that the items in Schedule I to this order shall be inserted into the Second Schedule of the Principal Order as the Second Schedule Part 1 and the reference to Kings Head Yard In the Second Schedule shall be removed.
  
3. This order may be cited as The City of Winchester (Central Area) Traffic Regulation (Consolidation) Order 1984 (Variation No. 1) Order 2013 shall come

into operation on the                  day of                  2013

Given this                  day of                  2013

THE COMMON SEAL OF WINCHESTER    )  
CITY COUNCIL was hereunto affixed    )  
in the presence of :-                        )

**Schedule 1**

<b><u>ONE-WAY TRAFFIC EXCEPT CYCLING</u></b>		
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