WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

THE WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL (PROHIBITION OF VEHICLES) (THE BROADWAY & COLEBROOK STREET, WINCHESTER) EXPERIMENTAL ORDER 2021

STATEMENT OF REASONS

The above Order is necessary to avoid danger to persons using the road whilst Sunday Markets are held on The Broadway.

The Council has a duty under Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") when making TROs to consider 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. This requires the Council to weigh up several factors when making a decision to proceed with a proposal including if applicable:

- The desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises.
- The effect on the amenities of any locality affected and (without prejudice to the generality of this paragraph) the importance of regulating 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 strategy.
- 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.
- Any other matters appearing to the Council to be applicable.

The Order will close sections of highway to enable the Sunday market to function safely and to protect pedestrians using the market and passing through the area. There is adequate public car parking nearby which can accommodate displaced parking. Provision will be made so that emergency service vehicles can be escorted through the market if required.

PUBLIC SECTOR EQUALITY DUTY

Thorough consideration was given to the equalities duty of the Council under Section 149 of the Equalities Act 2010.

Pedestrian provision will be maintained whilst the Sunday market is in place.

The area is covered by CCTV and good quality lighting.

Adequate public and disabled car parking is available nearby.