

## **Statement of Reason**

### **THE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA CITY COUNCIL (WAITING, LOADING, STOPPING AND PARKING PLACES) (MAP BASED) (COMET WAY OUTSIDE NO.7) AMENDMENT NO.\* ORDER 2025**

#### **Proposal**

The proposal is to:

To introduce approximately 45 metres of No Waiting at Any Time (double yellow lines) restrictions on the east side of Comet Way outside No.7.

#### **Reasons**

Following a request from a local business regarding obstructive parking blocking their recently installed vehicle crossover entrance, which restricted access for HGV movements, an engineering review was undertaken. The business raised concerns about vehicles parking in a way that impeding their operations and created difficulties for larger vehicles navigating the area and preventing deliveries. The review confirmed that unrestricted parking near the entrance significantly reduced the available space for HGVs manoeuvring and lead to operational inefficiencies.

The original restrictions agreed were No Waiting, Monday-Friday, 6am-6pm (single yellow lines). However, since the business has been in operation with the newly installed vehicle crossover, it has been raised that the obstructive parking is also occurring on weekends, thereby necessitating the proposal for No Waiting at Any Time (double yellow lines) to address the ongoing problem.

#### **Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**

The sections which the City Council are using for the implementation of the proposed scheme as above are 1, 2, 4 and 122. The grounds that encompassed the reason for these proposals in Section 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 are:

- (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, or
- (b) for preventing damage to the road or to any building on or near the road, or
- (c) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

In addition, thorough consideration was given to the factors set out in Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 in proposing this scheme.

#### **Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016**

All of the associated signing and lining will be in accordance with Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions (TSRGD) 2016.

#### **Equality Act 2010**

Thorough consideration was given to the equalities duty of Southend-on-Sea City Council under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.