

**Statement of Reason**  
**THE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA CITY COUNCIL (WAITING, LOADING, STOPPING AND**  
**PARKING PLACES) (MAP BASED) (ST LAURENCE JUNCTION PROTECTION PHASE**  
**3) AMENDMENT NO.7 ORDER 2026**

**Proposal**

To introduce junction protection restrictions - No Waiting at Any Time (double yellow lines) and No Loading or Unloading at Any Time (double yellow kerb blip markings) at the following locations at the approximate distances:

- (a) Shepard Close with Neil Armstrong Way – 10 metres on both sides of the junction.
- (b) Audleys Close with Alton Gardens – 5 metres in Audleys Close and 10 metres in Alton Gardens.
- (c) Vickers Road with Wells Avenue – 10 metres in Vickers Road and 5 metres in Wells Avenue.
- (d) Orchard side with Orchard Grove – 5 metres in Orchard Side and 8 metres in Orchard Grove.
- (e) Eastwoodbury Close with Eastwoodbury Crescent – 5 metres in Eastwoodbury Close and 5 metres in Eastwoodbury Crescent.
- (f) Bristol Road with Wells Avenue – 8 metres on both sides of the junction.
- (g) Keith Way with Hampton Gardens – 8 metres on both sides of the junction.
- (h) Eastwoodbury Crescent with Rochford Road – 5 metres on both sides of the junction.
- (i) Snakes Lane north – 10 metres on both sides of the junction.
- (j) Snakes Lane west – 5 metres on both sides of the junction.
- (k) Snakes Lane east – 5 metres on both sides of the junction.
- (l) Fairlawn Gardens and Fairlawn Gardens – 5 metres on both sides of the junction.
- (m) Willmott with Avro Road – 5 metres on both sides of the junction.
- (n) Neil Armstrong Way with Neil Armstrong Way side of No.99 – 8 metres on both sides of the junction.
- (o) Neil Armstrong Way with Neil Armstrong Way side of No.33 – 10 metres on both sides of the junction.

**Reason**

Junction protection measures are proposed to reinforce the Highway Code (rule 243) that vehicles should not park within 10m (32 feet) of a junction, 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, and for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic including pedestrians being seen and wishing to cross the road at the junction.

The length of the restrictions implemented have been considered both in line with the highway code, and the current parking pressure on residents.

**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.