Statement of Reason

THE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA CITY COUNCIL (WAITING, LOADING, STOPPING AND PARKING PLACES) (MAP BASED) (HUDSON CRESCENT) AMENDMENT NO.* ORDER 2025

Proposal

On Hudson Crescent:

- a) To introduce a disabled bay outside No.36 Hudson Crescent.
- b) To introduce No Waiting at Any Time (double yellow line) restrictions outside No.23 Hudson Crescent, from opposite and in line with the existing restrictions outside No.50 to the property boundary of No.21 and No.23.

Reason

The first alternative option considered was to introduce No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on both sides of the bend of Hudson Crescent, however, due to the parking stress highlighted by Councillor Collins within this area, this was deemed not feasible.

The second alterative option considered was to introduce No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on the outside of the bend of Hudson Crescent, from the existing restrictions at its junction with Mansel Close to the start of the Disabled Parking Bay. Councillors were unsupportive of this option, due to parking stress within this area and the potential impact on residents.

The proposal as outlined is recommended to prevent access issues for residents, refuse vehicles and emergency services. This measure will also improve safety by avoiding obstructed sight lines. This is deemed the most effective proposals to ensure access, whilst maintaining parking availability for local 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