

STATEMENT OF REASONS

for

THE PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL (LAKE ROAD) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING AND BUS LANE) (NO. 39) ORDER 2023

The proposed waiting restrictions and Bus Lane on the part of Lake Road between Cornmill Roundabout and Holbrook Road roundabout are part of the South-East Hampshire Rapid Transport Scheme (SEHRT).

The reasons for the proposals are 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), in accordance with Section 1(1), Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended).

The proposed restrictions are intended to improve bus journey times by constructing a new carriageway between Cornmill roundabout and Lake Road roundabout to create a bus lane towards the City Centre North.

When considering whether to make a traffic order the Council is under a duty pursuant to S.122 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended), to secure the 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 having regard to the matters specified in S.122(2). It is considered that these proposals will assist in facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and of securing the safety and convenience of persons using or desiring to use such vehicles.