

STATEMENT OF REASONS

THE PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS) (ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING PARKING PLACES) (NO. 4) ORDER 2025

Portsmouth City Council proposes to make the above Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which would be to introduce parking bays for use only by electric vehicles charging at any time EV charging (EVC) bays.

The introduction of new EVC bays means that some existing on street parking bays (two pay and display bays and seventy one resident bays) would need to be revoked.

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The proposed EVC bays are aligned with Portsmouth City Council's vision to live in a city with a travel system that is greener, cleaner and safer for all.

Supported by the Portsmouth Local Transport Plan (2021-2038) Policy B, Support infrastructure for electric vehicles, and the Portsmouth Air Quality Strategy (2017-2027).

This Order is being proposed for the following reasons:

- 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
- c. for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians); or
- f. for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs
- g. for any of the purposes specified in paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsection (1) of section 87 of the Environment Act 1995 (air quality)

In authorising the advertisement of these proposals the Council has given consideration to its duty under s.122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 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 (while having regard to the matters specified in s.122 subsection (2) of that Act).

11th August 2025