

PROPOSED BUS LANE

STATEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S REASONS FOR PROPOSING TO MAKE THE ORDER

North Yorkshire Council (NYC) was awarded funding from the government's Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) to deliver a project to boost sustainable travel within Harrogate.. The total package will deliver improvements comprising of:

- Changing the road space along Station Parade to provide space for bus priority, a new cycleway and footway improvements
- Improvements to the One Arch underpass
- Improvements to the public space at Station Square
- Upgrading crossing facilities

As a result it is necessary to introduce new Traffic Regulation Orders

PROPOSED TITLE OF ORDER:	North Yorkshire Council (Bus Lane) (Station Parade, Harrogate) Order 2024
LEGAL POWERS AND DUTIES:	<p>Under Section 1(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 the Council, as traffic authority for North Yorkshire, has powers to make a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) where it appears expedient to make it on one or more of the following grounds: -</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(b) for preventing damage to the road or to any building on or near the road, or</p> <p>c) for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians), or</p> <p>(d) for preventing the use of the road by vehicular traffic of a kind which, or its use by vehicular traffic in a manner which, is unsuitable having regard to the existing character of the road or adjoining property, or</p> <p>(e) (without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (d) above) for preserving the character of the road in a case where it is specially suitable for use by persons on horseback or on foot, or</p> <p>(f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs; or</p> <p>(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).</p> <p>Section 122(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 also provides that it shall be the duty of every local authority upon whom functions are conferred by or under the 1984 Act so to exercise those functions as 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</p>

<p>REASONS FOR MAKING THE ORDER:</p>	<p>The North Yorkshire Council considers that it is expedient to make this TRO on grounds (a, c, f,) above, having taken into account its duty under Section 122(1) of the 1984 Act, for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To speed up the flow of public transport that would otherwise be held up by traffic congestion
<p>LOCATIONS(S) OF PROPOSED ORDER/ OTHER COMMENTS:</p>	<p><u>DIVISION: VALLEY GARDENS AND CENTRAL HARROGATE</u></p> <p>Proposed location: Station Parade, Harrogate (Drawings: 70089085-WSP-TCFHGTRO-DR-TM-10013)</p>
<p>CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS</p>	<p>Under the Council's Constitution, the consideration of objections to a proposed TRO is delegated to the Corporate Director for Environment in consultation with the Environment Executive Member. For each TRO where there are objections, it will be necessary to bring a report to the Corporate Director for Environment and Executive Member seeking a decision on the consideration of the objections. The report will include the views of the relevant local members who will also be invited to the meeting that considers the report. The Corporate Director for Environment may wish to refer the matter to the Council's Executive for a final decision.</p> <p>A report to the relevant Area Constituency Committee will only be necessary when there are objections to a wide area impact TRO.</p> <p>A wide area impact TRO is defined as a proposal satisfying all of the three criteria set out below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal affects more than one street or road and, • The proposal affects more than one community and, • The proposal is located within the ward of more than one Councillor <p>The existing arrangements for members of the public wishing to attend or speak at committee meetings will apply and it may be appropriate for the Corporate Director for Environment to have his decision-making meetings open to the public, so that the public and in particular those with objections, have the opportunity to put their views across directly.</p> <p>N.B. The Corporate Director for Environment has delegated powers to make decisions on TROs where there are no objections.</p>

SCHEDULE 1

PROPOSED BUS AND PEDAL CYCLE LANE WITH FLOW

Column 1 Item	Column 2 Part of road authorised for use as bus lane	Column 3 Permitted Direction	Column 4 Hours of Operation
1.	Station Parade, Harrogate: The east side from a point 46 metres south east of its junction with Bower Road to a point 82 metres south east of its junction with its junction with Bower Road	Southbound	24 hours Operation