OFFICER DECISION REPORT - TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO)

APPROVAL TO PUBLICLY ADVERTISE THE TRO

PREPARED BY: Traffic Management Team, Highways and Traffic Group

TITLE OF REPORT: Central Bath Area TRO Review

PROPOSAL: Parking Restrictions

SCHEME REF No: 25-063

REPORT AUTHOR: Traffic Management Team / KG

1. <u>DELEGATION</u>

The delegation to be exercised in this report is contained within **Part 3**, **Section 4** of the Constitution under the **Delegation of Functions to Officers**, as follows:

Section A	The Chief Executive, Strategic Directors, Divisional Directors and Heads of Service have delegated power to take any decision falling within their area of responsibility"
Section B	Without prejudice to the generality of this, Officers are authorised to: serve any notices and make, amend or revoke any orders falling within his/her area of responsibility.
Section D9	An Officer to whom a power, duty or function is delegated may nominate or authorise another Officer to exercise that power, duty or function, provided that Officer reports to or is responsible to the delegator.

For the purposes of this report, the Director of Place Management and the Head of Highways Delivery hold the delegated power to make, amend or revoke any Orders.

2. **LEGAL AUTHORITY**

This proposal is made in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, which under Section 1 provides, generally, for Orders to be made for the following reasons, and in the case of this report specifically for the reason(s) shown below:

(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	X
(b)	for preventing damage to the road or to any building on or near the road, or	
(c)	for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians), or	Х
(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,	

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(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	
(f)	for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs, or	Х
(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)	

3. PROPOSAL

To implement various parking / waiting restrictions around the Central Bath area as requested by the local Ward Members (of behalf of their residents) or Council Officers.

4. REASON

Please refer to the separate Statement of Reasons document attached to this report regarding TRO 25-063.

The Council has had in mind and discharged the duty (as set out in section 122(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984) to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) so far as practicable. It has also had regard to the factors which point in favour of imposing:

- Additional No Parking At Any Time (Double Yellow Line restrictions) on Norfolk Buildings, Kingsmead Square, High Street, Bridge Street, Monmouth Place, Bath.
- Loading Only Bay 7.30am 9am and 4.30pm 7pm / Disabled Parking Bay 9am 4.30pm and 7pm 7.30am on James Street West, Bath.
- 30-minute Coach Parking Only Bay on James Street West, Bath.
- Extension of Resident Parking Zone 4 boundary to cover Angel Place on Lower Bristol Road, Bath.
- 1-hour Limited Waiting Bay, 8am 7pm, no return within 1 hour on Bathwick Street, Bath.
- Removal of dual use Central Permit / 2 Hour Pay & Display Bay on London Street, Bath.
- No Stopping 6am 11.30pm except buses / No Stopping 11.30pm 6am except taxis on St James's Parade / Southgate Street, Bath.

It has balanced the various considerations and concluded that it is appropriate to promote these proposed restriction amendments to prevent obstruction of the highway, improve visibility splays at junctions and provide additional on-street parking provision. The Council has also considered and discharged its network management duty under section 16 of the Traffic Management Act 2004. It has concluded that the proposed restrictions are consistent with that duty, having regard to its other policies and objectives.

5. IMPACT ON EQUALITIES

An Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken in relation to parking restrictions, which is available upon request. The Council has had due regard to the needs set out in section 149(1) of the Equality Act 2010. It considers that the proposed Order is consistent with the section 149 public sector equality duty, which it has discharged.

6. IMPACT ON HUMAN RIGHTS

The proposals are considered to have a minimal impact on human rights (such as the right to respect for private and family life and the right to peaceful enjoyment of property). However, the Council is entitled to affect these rights where it is in accordance with the law, necessary (in the interests of public safety or economic well-being, to prevent disorder and crime, to protect health, or to protect the rights and freedoms of others), in pursuit of a legitimate aim and proportionate to do so. The proposal(s) within this report are considered to be in accordance with the law, necessary, in pursuit of a legitimate aim and proportionate.

7. SOURCE OF FINANCE

This proposal is being funded by the capital Area Parking Review budget, project code TCJ0009S.

8. CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT

The proposal requires consultation with the Chief Constable, Emergency Services, Road Haulage Association, Freight Transport Association (Logistics UK), Parking Services, Waste Services, Ward Members and the Cabinet Member for Sustainable Transport Delivery.

9. COMMENTS RECEIVED TO DATE

Chief Constable

Enforcement of waiting restrictions within the Bath and North East Somerset Council area rests with Bath and North East Somerset Council Parking Services. Consideration regarding the potential displacement of existing parking, and the enforcement needs of these restrictions should be of importance. The proposals should meet the aspirations behind their introduction.

Emergency Services

No comment.

Road Haulage Association

No comment.

Freight Transport Association

No comment.

Parking Services

No comment.

Waste Services

No comment.

Ward Members

Kingsmead:

Cllr Paul Roper – As below, additional plan for Orange Grove, Bath.

Additional Proposal Plan – Orange Grove, Bath – 3 Hour Disabled Parking bays: The proposed 3 hour time limit restriction on the existing Disabled Parking bays outside the Abbey in Orange Grove was requested by the Traffic Management Team on behalf of Cllr Paul Roper, to provide a turn

around of vehicles and allow the bays to be utilised by more Blue Badge Holders.

DYL

High Cross

Alkmaar

Garden

Obelisk

ORANGE

GROVE

Proposed 3 Hour time limit on Disabled Parking Bays

Cllr George Tomlin – No comment.

Oldfield Park:

Cllr Ian Halsall – No comment.

Widcombe / Lyncombe:

Cllr Alison Born - No comment.

Cllr Stuart Bridge - No comment.

Walcot:

Cllr Oli Henman - No comment.

Cllr John Leach - No comment.

Bathwick:

Cllr Manda Rigby - No comment.

Cllr Toby Simon - No comment.

Cabinet Member for Sustainable Transport Delivery:

Cllr Lucy Hodge - Please proceed to public consultation.

10. RECOMMENDATION

As no significant objections and/or comments have been received following the preliminary consultation described above, the public advertisement of the Traffic Regulation Order should progress.

Neil Terry

Traffic Management & Network Manager

11. <u>DECISION</u>

As the officer holding the above delegation, I approve the progression of this Traffic Regulation Order.

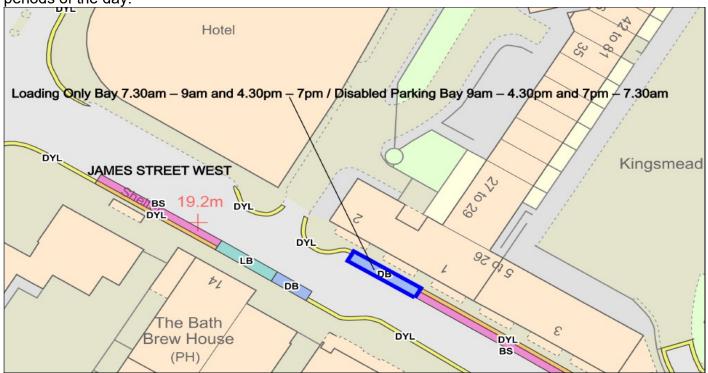
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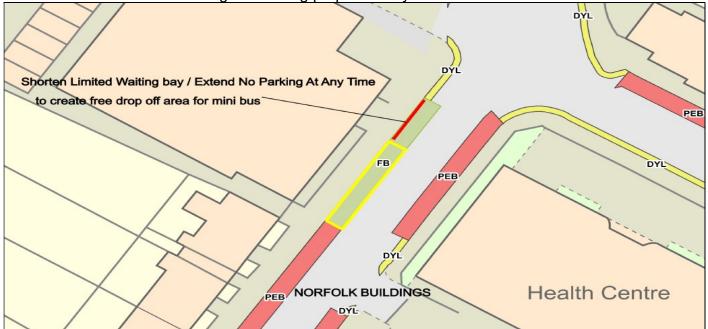
Director for Place Management

Plan 1 – James Street West, Bath – The dual use Loading Only Bay operating 7.30am – 9am and 4.30pm – 7pm / Disabled Parking Bay operating 9am – 4.30pm and 7pm – 7.30am was requested by the Parking Services Team to retain disabled parking provision within central Bath but provide a space for the loading and unloading of goods for the local commercial premises during certain periods of the day.

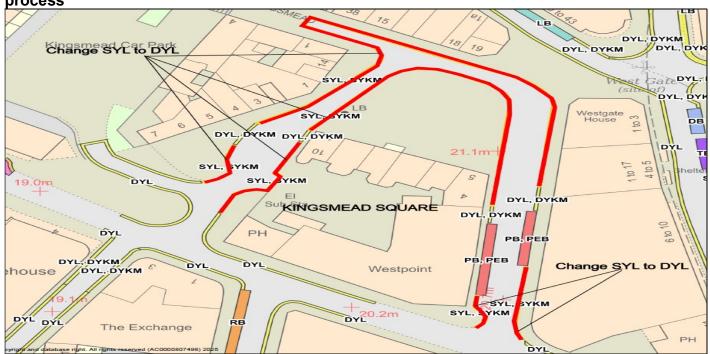


Plan 2 – Norfolk Buildings, Bath – The extension of the No Parking At Any Time restrictions and shortening of the existing Limited Waiting Bay was requested by Age Uk Charity to allow a drop off leasting for a minibus for leading / upleading purposes only.

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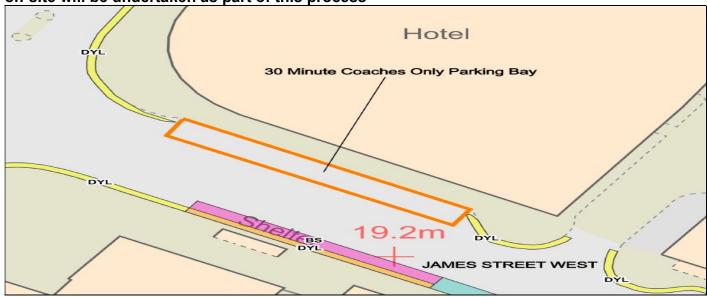


Plan 3 – Kingsmead Square, Bath – The conversion of Single Yellow Lines (SYL) to Double Yellow Lines (DYL or No Parking At Any Time restrictions) within the sealed Order. The DYLs already exist on-site but were not included within the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) when Bath & North East Somerset Council moved over to our new digital TRO platform, Mapper earlier this year. This proposal is to add the existing current restrictions into a new sealed Order to allow them to be enforced. No amendments to the existing restrictions on-site will be undertaken as part of this process



Plan 4 – James Street West, Bath – The 30-minute Coaches Only parking bay was not included within a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) when Bath & North East Somerset Council moved over to our new digital TRO platform, Mapper earlier this year. This proposal is to add the existing restrictions into a new sealed Order to allow them to be enforced. **No amendments to the existing restrictions**

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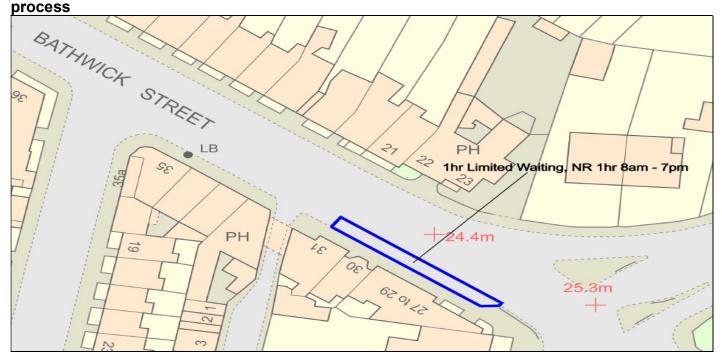


Plan 5 - Lower Bristol Road, Bath - The proposed extension of the Resident Parking Zone 4 boundary to cover 13 Angel Place on Lower Bristol Road was requested by the local Ward Member to

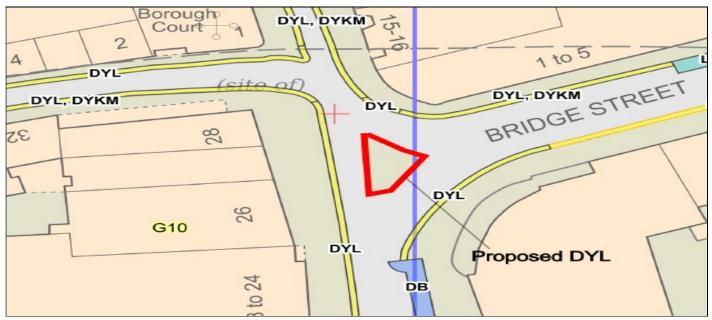
allow the residents to be able to purchase permits to park within Zone 4.



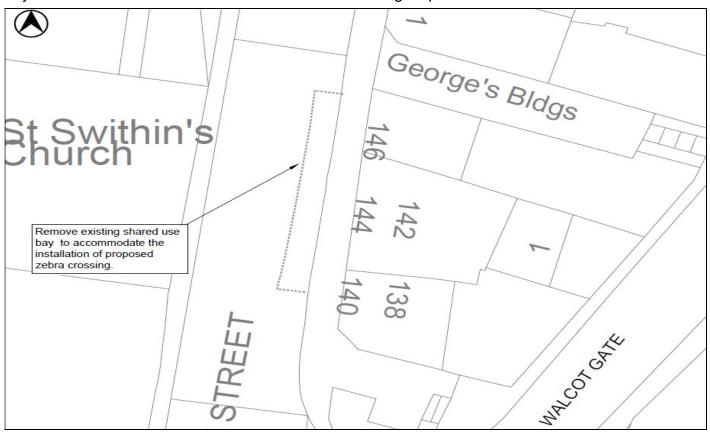
Plan 6 - Bathwick Street, Bath - The 1-hour Limited Waiting parking bay operating 8am - 7pm, no return within 1 hour was not included within a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) when Bath & North East Somerset Council moved over to our new digital TRO platform, Mapper earlier this year. This proposal is to add the existing restrictions into a new sealed Order to allow them to be enforced. No amendments to the existing restrictions on-site will be undertaken as part of this



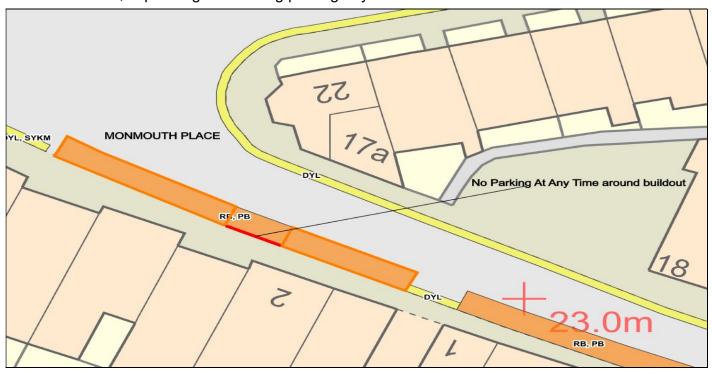
Plan 7 – High Street / Bridge Street, Bath – The No Parking At Any Time (Double Yellow Lines – DYL) were not included within a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) when Bath & North East Somerset Council moved over to our new digital TRO platform, Mapper earlier this year. This proposal is to add the existing restrictions into a new sealed Order to allow them to be enforced. No amendments to the existing restrictions on-site will be undertaken as part of this process



Plan 8 – London Street, Bath – The removal of the dual use Permit Holder / Pay & Display parking bay is to allow for the installation of a new Zebra Crossing as part of TRO consultation 25-055.



Plan 9 – Monmouth Place, Bath – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions are to be placed around the new buildout, separating the existing parking bay into two sections.



Plan 10 – St James's Parade / Southgate Street, Bath – The No Stopping 6am – 11.30pm except buses and No Stopping 11.30pm – 6am except taxis restriction was requested by the Traffic Management Team to amend the existing restrictions allowing buses to park up until 11.30pm instead of the current time of 9.45pm.

