# OFFICER DECISION REPORT - TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO)

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#### APPROVAL TO PUBLICLY ADVERTISE THE TRO

PREPARED BY: Traffic Management Team, Highways and Traffic Group

TITLE OF REPORT: North East Somerset Area

PROPOSAL: Parking Restrictions

SCHEME REF No: 25-028

**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 holds 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	Χ
(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,	
(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	V
(')	runs, or	^
(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)	_
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# 3. PROPOSAL

To implement various parking / waiting restrictions around the North East Somerset 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 25-028.

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 Double Yellow Line restrictions on Hamilton Way, Staunton Lane, Stockwood Lane and Old Vicarage Court, Whitchurch / High Street, Chew Magna / Eastover Road, Aumery Gardens and High Street, High Littleton / Holcombe Lane, Bathampton / Wellow Lane, Peasedown St John / Ham Lane, Winterfield Road and Bloomfield Rise, Paulton / Gullock Tyning and Pinewood Avenue, Midsomer Norton / Manor Close, Farrington Gurney / Gibbet Lane, Norton Malreward / High Street, Pensford / and Lansdown Crescent, Timsbury.
- No Stopping on School Keep Clear Markings At Any Time on Bath Road, Peasedown St John.
- 4 Hour Limited Waiting, no return within 1 hour on Bathford Hill and Ostlings Lane, Bathford.
- Bus Stop Clearway on Greenvale Drive and The Avenue, Timsbury and New Road A37, Pensford.
- 3 Hour Limited Waiting Bay, no return within 1 hour on Northmead Road and Gullock Tyning, Midsomer Norton.
- 30-minute Limited Waiting, no return within 1 hour operating 8am 6pm on Church Street and A37 New Road, Pensford.
- Loading Only Bay operating Mon Sat, 8am 6pm on Church Street, Pensford.

- Removing 30-minute limited waiting bays on Church Street, Pensford.
- Removing a Loading Only Bay on A37 New Road, Pensford.
- 1 Hour Limited Waiting Bay, No Return within 1 Hour operating 7am 7pm / Taxi Bay operating 7pm 7am on High Street, Midsomer Norton.
- Removing Disabled Parking on South Road, Midsomer Norton.
- No Parking / No Loading At Any Time and No Parking / No Loading Mon-Fri, 8am– 9.30am and 2.30pm–4.30pm on Wells Road, Radstock.

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 proposed restrictions outlined above, 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. <u>INFORMAL CONSULTATION FEEDBACK</u>

## **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**

I broadly support the implementation of the restrictions however there should be a recognition that additional restrictions require additional revenue support for new staff to reflect the fact that every new restriction requires a very small percentage of a staff member to enforce on a regular or semi-regular basis.

Whilst this impact may itself be small for a single scheme, the cumulative impact over time may have an impact for the enforcement across other locations.

## **Waste Services**

No comment.

#### **Ward Members**

## Publow & Whitchurch:

Cllr Paul May – Due to commercial reasons related to the Royal Mail service changes the current post office will not be able to move now hence why I am seeking to change the removal of parking restrictions outside the shop.

- Please do not remove the existing limited time spaces outside of the existing post office.
- please do not remove the yellow loading area on the main A37.
- making a loading bay on church street is inappropriate re heavy goods vehicles using this
  narrow lane and then accessing the main A37 at a dangerous location. le keep these existing
  spaces as they are.

I formally object to these proposals!

Response: Plan 21 – Church Street / New Road A37, Pensford will be removed from this Order as requested above.

# **Chew Valley:**

Cllr Anna Box – No comment.

Cllr David Harding – No comment.

## **High Littleton:**

Cllr Ann Morgan – No comment.

#### Bathavon North:

Cllr Kevin Guy – No comment.

Cllr Sarah Warren - No comment.

#### Timsbury:

Cllr Shaun-Stephenson McGall – Plan 8 – Bus Stop Clearway – Greenvale Drive. This has already been painted / installed, so is this just the legal bit?

Plan 9 – Bus Stop Clearway – The Avenue (both directions). The Local Active Travel Safety Programme 2025/26 has works scheduled for The Avenue.

Plan 23 – No Parking At Any Time – Lansdown Crescent. I'm happy with this proposal.

#### Peasedown St John:

Cllr Gavin Heathcote – No comment.

Cllr Karren Walker – Plan 1 Bath Road Peasedown St John no stopping on school keep clear marking at any time.

Plan 7 Wellow Lane Peasedown St John, No parking at any time to prevent obstruction of the turning bay and access for cyclists.

As commented by Andrew Dunn, the cumulative impact overtime may have an impact for the enforcement team across BANES locations. Of which I wholly agree.

As I have said many times in the past, parking restrictions are costly, before implementing any no stopping or no parking there should be enough resources to support the parking enforcement team, to carry their work out, to stop those who wish not follow parking restrictions. If this can be demonstrated, I would support both plan 1 and 7.

## Paulton:

Cllr Liz Hardman – No comment.

Cllr Grant Johnson – No comment.

## Midsomer Norton Redfield:

Cllr Tim Warren – No comment.

Cllr Sarah Evans – No comment.

# Parish / Town Councils:

Bathampton Parish Council – A couple of areas for consideration for double yellows:

- Bottom of Down Lane on Bathampton Lane a continual problem of cars parking opposite the junction.
- Bathampton Lane.
- Holcombe Lane near junction with Downside Close.
- Tyning Road.

Response: Additional proposal plans 28 – 31 added below.

Bathford Parish Council – No comment.

Chew Magna Parish Council – Plan 19. Chew Magna Parish Council considers that the proposal to restrict parking by the use of double yellow lines is unnecessary as from regular visual evidence there is little use of this area for daytime parking which causes traffic obstruction. Overnight parking by residents does not cause any obstruction. The Parish Council requests that Plan 19 is removed from this TRO.

Response: Proposal Plan 19 will be removed at Parish Council's request.

Chew Stoke Parish Council – No comment.

High Littleton Parish Council – Object to Plan 5, Plan 25 and Plan 26 as proposals would not solve the issues but will only move them to another location in the parish.

Response: Objections noted and will be considered along with any public feedback received after the 21 day public consultation.

Midsomer Norton Town Council – No comment.

Paulton Parish Council - No comment.

Peasedown St John Parish Council – No comment.

Publow and Pensford Parish Council - No comment.

Timsbury Parish Council – No comment.

Westfield Parish Council – I can confirm that at committee yesterday evening these proposals for Wells Road, Westfield, were approved.

Whitchurch Village Council - Members of Whitchurch Village Council would like to ask if the 'No Parking at any Time' restrictions on Stockwood Lane could be installed on both sides of the road please. They are worried that vehicles will park on the opposite side of the road if the restriction is just placed on one side and this would be extremely dangerous on this stretch of road.

Response: Plan 17 will be amended below to include No Parking At Any Time restrictions on both sides of Stockwood Lane as requested above by the Whitchurch Village Council.

# **Cabinet Member for Sustainable Transport Delivery:**

Cllr Lucy Hodge - I note the points raised by Parish Councils and Ward Councillors have been addressed. Please proceed to 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 Date: 18/06/2025

Traffic Management & Network Manager

## 11. DECISION

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

Date: 18/06/2025

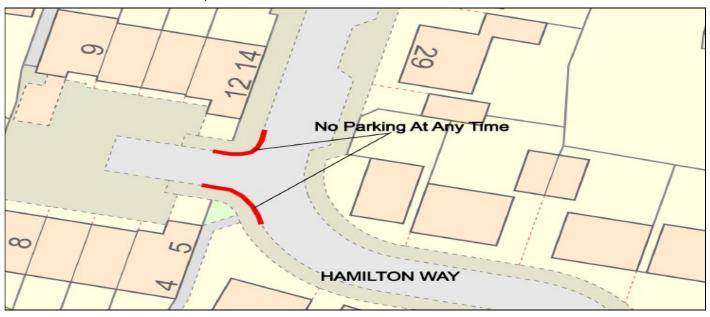
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**Director for Place Management** 

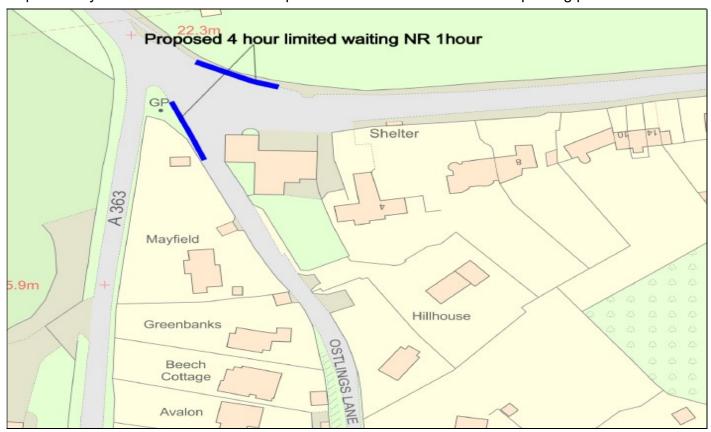
**Plan 1 – Bath Road, Peasedown St John** – The No Stopping On School Keep Clear Markings At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Parking Services Team on behalf of the local Ward Members to improve visibility and safety around the school entrance.



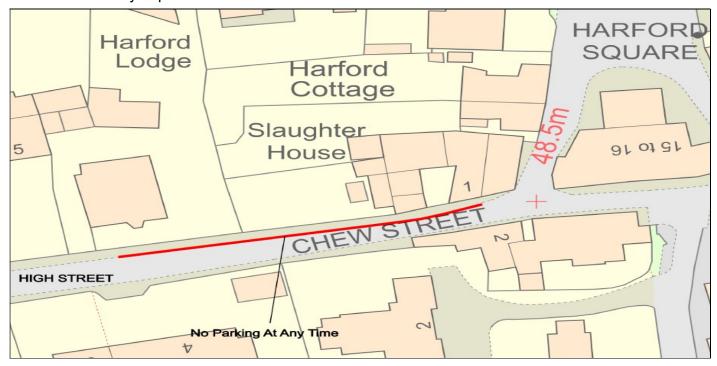
**Plan 2 – Hamilton Way, Whitchurch** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the local Ward Member to improve access for residents.



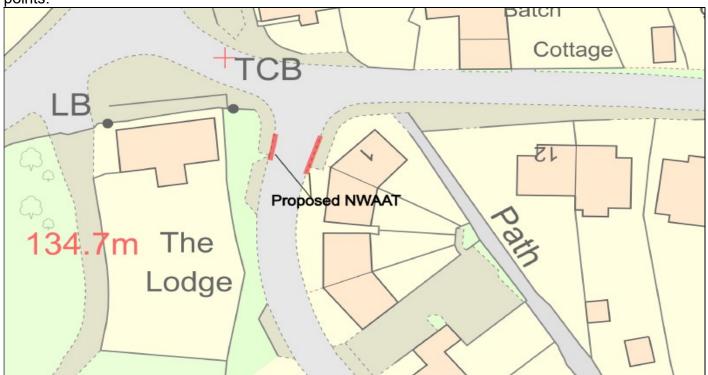
**Plan 3 – Bathford Hill / Ostlings Lane, Bathford** – The proposed 4 hour Limited Waiting bays were requested by the local Parish Council to provide more short term on-street parking provision.



**Plan 4 – High Street, Chew Magna** – The proposed No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Highway Maintenance Team to replace the existing edge of carriageway marking due to the footway improvement works scheme.

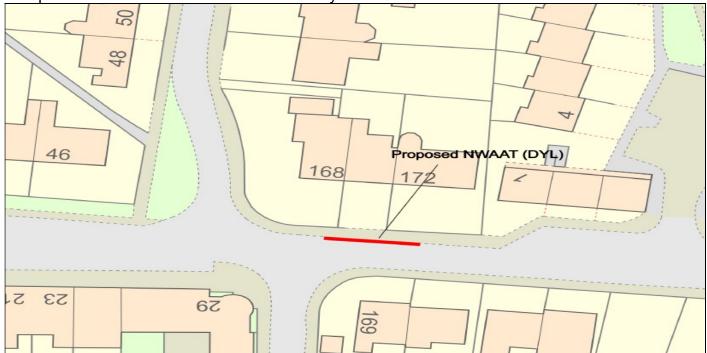


**Plan 5 – Aumery Gardens, High Littleton** – The extension of the existing No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by a local resident to prevent obstruction of the dropped kerb crossing points.

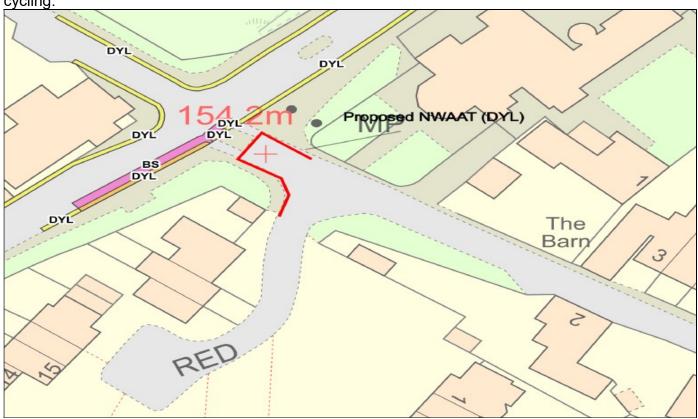


Plan 6 – Holcombe Lane, Bathampton – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Parish Council to prevent vehicles from parking and blocking the dropped kerb in this location

to improve access for the disabled and driveways.



**Plan 7 – Wellow Lane, Peasedown St John** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Traffic Management Team to prevent obstruction of the turning head and access for cycling.



Plan 8 – Greenvale Drive, Timsbury – The Bus Stop Clearway marking was requested by the local

Ward Member to improve the operation of the local bus service for residents.



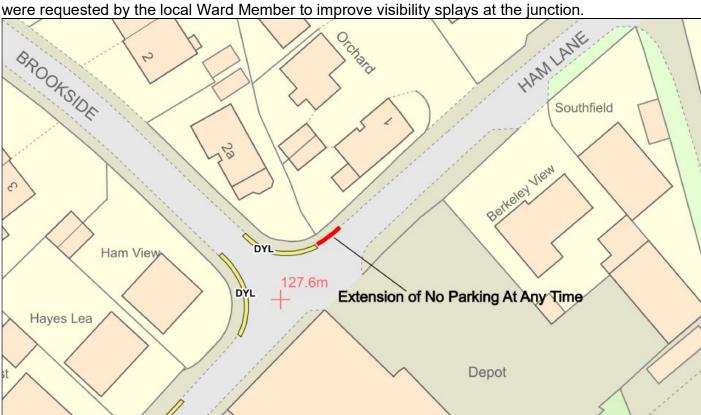
Plan 9 - The Avenue, Timsbury - The Bus Stop Clearway marking was requested by the local Ward Member to improve the operation of the local bus service for residents.



Plan 10 - Northmead Road, Midsomer Norton - The 3 Hour Limited Waiting Bay was requested by the Traffic Management Team to provide additional short term on-street parking provision.

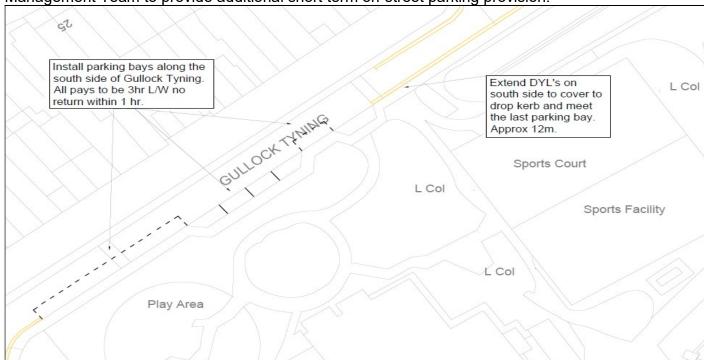


Plan 11 - Ham Lane, Paulton - The extension of the existing No Parking At Any Time restrictions

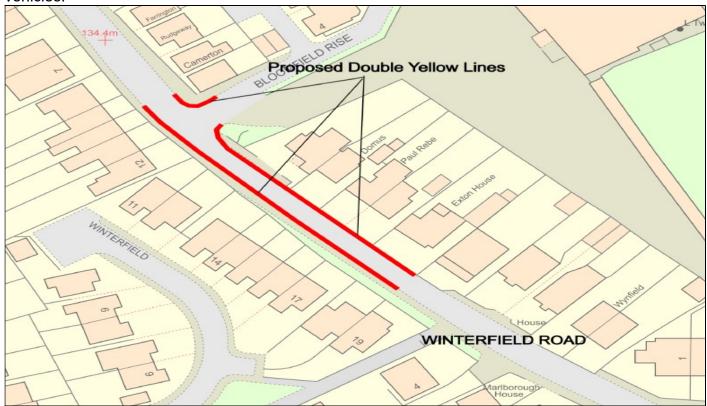


Plan 12 – Gullock Tyning, Midsomer Norton – The extension of the existing No Parking At Any Time restrictions and additional 3 Hour Limited Waiting Bays were requested by the Traffic

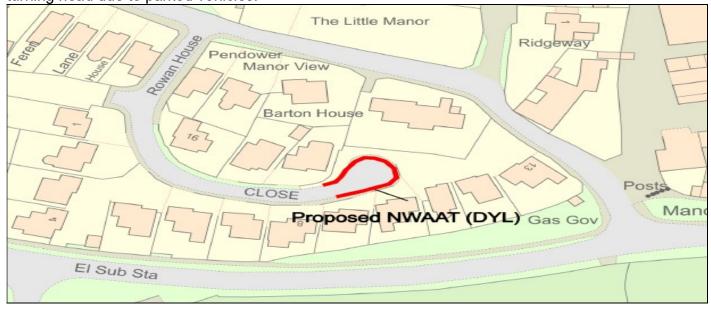
Management Team to provide additional short term on-street parking provision.



**Plan 13 – Winterfield Road Bloomfield Rise, Paulton** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the local Ward Member to prevent obstruction of the highway due to parked vehicles.



**Plan 14 – Manor Close, Farrington Gurney** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Traffic Management Team and the Parish Council to prevent obstruction of the turning head due to parked vehicles.



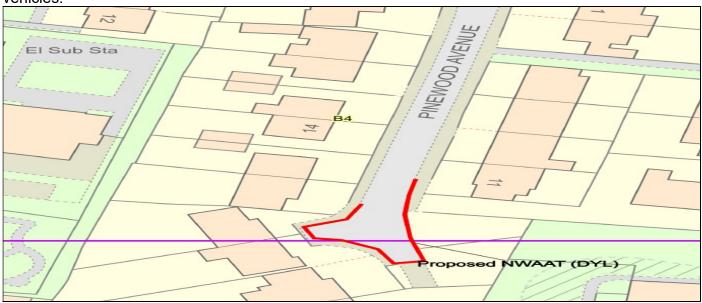
Plan 15 - Gibbet Lane, Norton Malreward - The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Traffic Management Team due to concerns raised by residents and the area

Highway Inspector regarding the way in which vehicles are parking, causing issues for property

access and visibility at the junction with the A37 and around the tight bend.



**Plan 16 – Pinewood Avenue, Midsomer Norton** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Traffic Management Team to prevent obstruction of the turning head due to parked vehicles.



**Amended Plan 17 – Stockwood Lane, Whitchurch** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Whitchurch Village Council on both sides of Stockwood Lane to prevent obstruction of the highway due to parked vehicles.

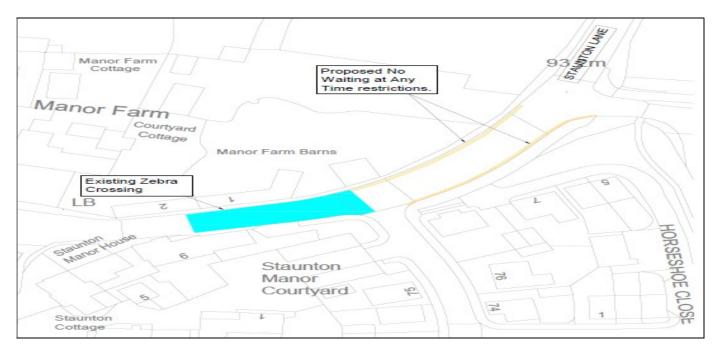
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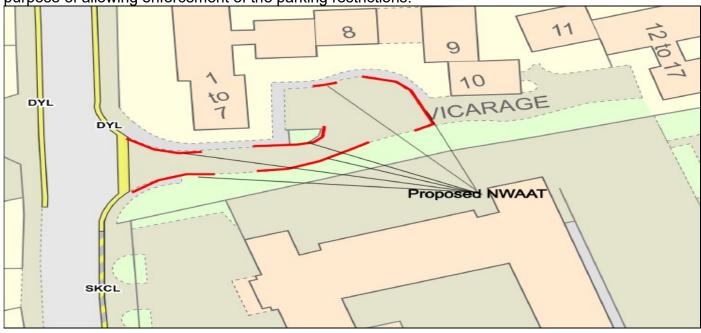
**Plan 18 – Staunton Lane, Whitchurch** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Whitchurch Village Council to prevent obstruction of the highway due to parked vehicles.



**Plan 19 – High Street, Chew Magna** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Traffic Management Team to prevent obstruction of the highway due to parked vehicles. – Removed at Parish Councils request.

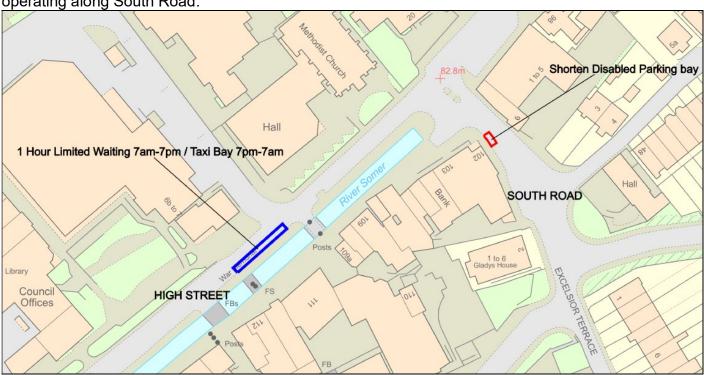
Plan 20 – Old Vicarage Court, Whitchurch – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions currently onsite are not contained within a legal Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) as the highway was previously not adopted by the Council. These restrictions are now being included within this Order for the

purpose of allowing enforcement of the parking restrictions.

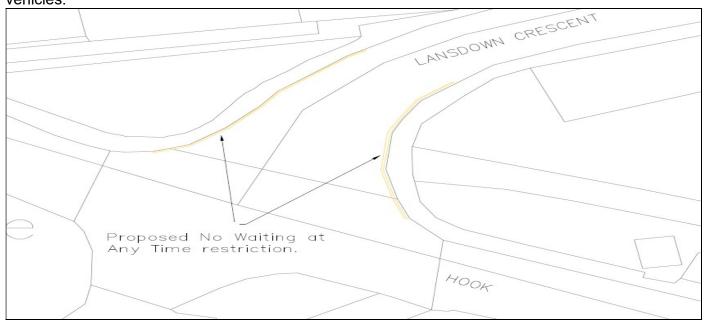


Plan 21 – Church Street / New Road A37, Pensford – The proposed restrictions shown below were requested by the local Ward Member due to the relocation of the Post Office to provide short term, 30 minute limited waiting on-street parking provision near to the new premises – Removed from the Order as requested above by Cllr Paul May.

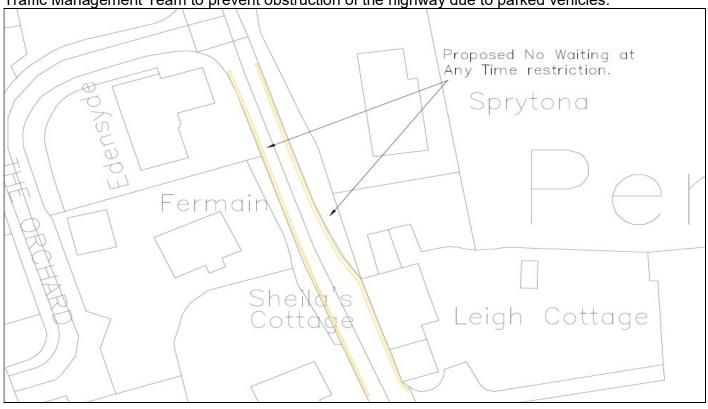
Plan 22 – High Street / South Road, Midsomer Norton – The proposed 1 Hour Limited Waiting Bay, No Return within 1 Hour operating 7am – 7pm / Taxi Bay operating 7pm – 7am and shortening of the existing Disabled Parking Bay was requested by the Traffic Management Team to formalise parking arrangements and provide sufficient room for buses to manoeuvrer along the new bus route operating along South Road.



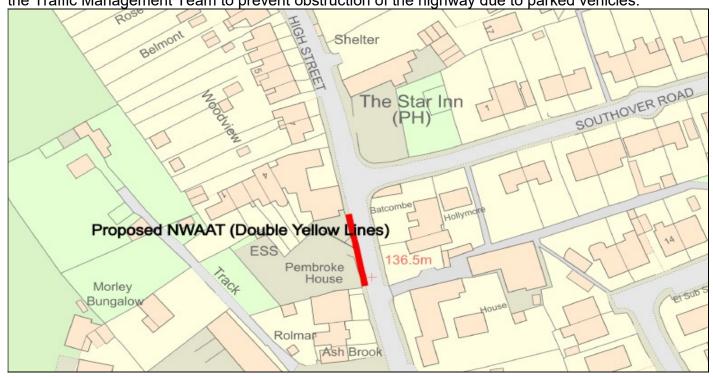
**Plan 23 – Lansdown Crescent, Timsbury** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Traffic Management Team to prevent obstruction of the highway due to parked vehicles.



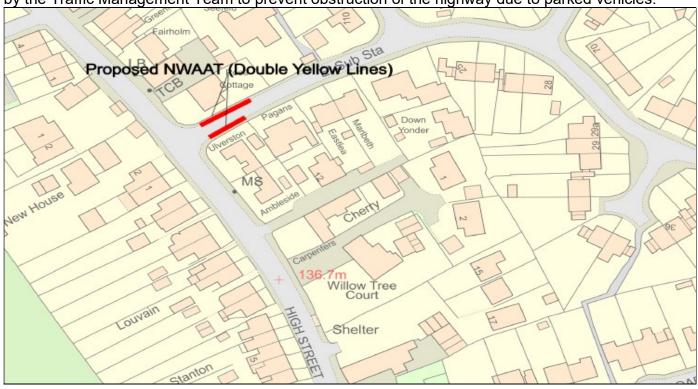
**Plan 24 – High Street**, **Pensford** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Traffic Management Team to prevent obstruction of the highway due to parked vehicles.



**Plan 25 – High Street, High Littleton** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Traffic Management Team to prevent obstruction of the highway due to parked vehicles.



**Plan 26 – Eastover Road, High Littleton** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Traffic Management Team to prevent obstruction of the highway due to parked vehicles.



Plan 27 – Wells Road, Radstock – The No Parking / No Loading At Any Time and No Parking / No Loading Mon-Fri, 8:00–9:30 and 14:30–16:30 restrictions were requested by the Traffic Signals Team to prevent obstruction of the highway and junction due to parked vehicles. Vehicles parked here at the start and end of the school day, when traffic flows are higher, are causing northbound traffic to queue back into the signalised junction with Cobblers Way. Drivers of vehicles remaining in the middle of the junction, due to the queue caused by the parking, are unaware when green signals for pedestrians turn green, causing potential conflict and a safety issue for pedestrians. A 'yellow box' marking has been considered but would not resolve the issue here.

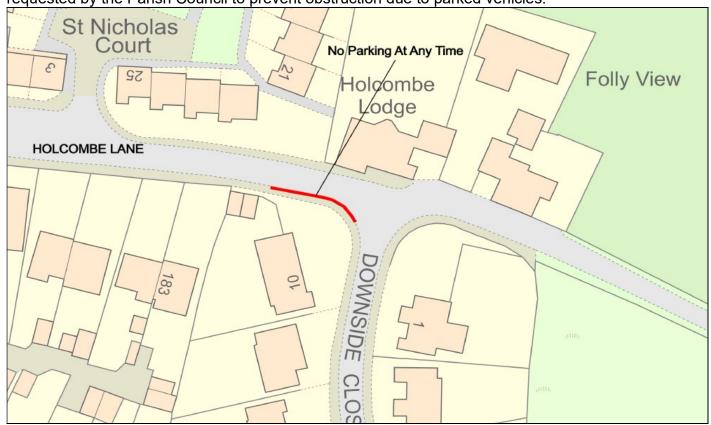


**Additional Plan 28 – Bathampton Lane, Bathampton** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Parish Council to prevent obstruction due to parked vehicles.

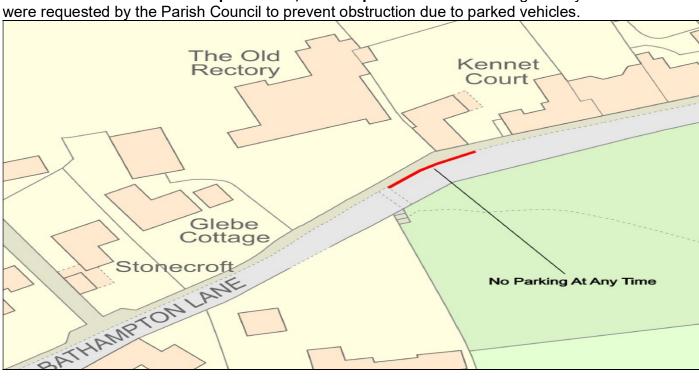


Additional Plan 29 - Holcombe Lane, Bathampton - The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were

requested by the Parish Council to prevent obstruction due to parked vehicles.



Additional Plan 30 - Bathampton Lane, Bathampton - The No Parking At Any Time restrictions



**Additional Plan 31 – Tyning Road, Bathampton** – The No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by a local resident and the Parish Council to prevent obstruction due to parked vehicles.

