

OUTCOME OF TRO PROCESS – DECISION (following objections)

PREPARED BY: Traffic Management Team, Highways and Traffic Group

<b>TITLE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>Bath Parking Restriction Admin Update</b>
<b>PROPOSAL:</b>	<b>Single Yellow Line operating times / Police Bay</b>
<b>SCHEME REF No:</b>	<b>25-026</b>
<b>REPORT AUTHOR:</b>	<b>Traffic Management Team / KG</b>

**1. DELEGATION**

The delegation to be exercised in this report is contained within **Part 2 Section 2.35** of the Constitution under the **Delegations of Functions to Officers**, as follows:

<b>Section A</b>	The Chief Executive, Executive Director - Chief Operating Officer, Directors and Heads of Service have delegated power to take any decision falling within their area of responsibility....”
<b>Section B</b>	Without prejudice to the generality of this, Officers are authorised to: serve any notices and make, amend or revoke any orders falling within their area of responsibility.
<b>Section D</b>	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	X
(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 runs, or	X
(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)	

This proposal is also made in accordance with Section 90G of the Highways Act 1980, which empowers the Highway Authority to construct traffic-calming works for the purpose of reducing vehicle speeds. The measures proposed in this report are therefore brought forward under this provision.

### 3. **PROPOSAL**

Modification of the No Parking Between Times (Single Yellow Lines) within central Bath from 8am - 7pm to 8am – 6pm, in order to correspond with the parking restrictions which are in place on the ground.

Removal of the Police Parking Bay outside of the Guildhall from the non-order layer and its inclusion within the formal TRO.

### 4. **REASON**

Please refer to the Statement of Reasons.

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 the No Parking Between 8am – 6pm restrictions and a Police Parking Bay in central Bath. It has balanced the various considerations and concluded that it is appropriate to promote the No Parking Between 8am – 6pm restrictions and a Police Parking Bay in central Bath. 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 No Parking Between 8am – 6pm restrictions and Police Parking Bay in central Bath is consistent with that duty, having regard to its other policies and objectives.

### 5. **IMPACT ON EQUALITIES**

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.

The responses to the informal consultation can be found in TRO report number 3.

## 9. OBJECTIONS / COMMENTS RECEIVED (following the public advertisement of the proposal(s))

The objections received have been summarised below with the technical responses in italics underneath each one. Full responses and supporting comments can be found in the attached **Appendix 1**.

**Results: Wholly Object– 8, Partially Object– 1, Neither– 0, Partially Support– 0, Wholly Support– 0.**

### **Objection main points raised:**

- This council has already taken away so many parking spaces in Bath.
- Please stop wasting our limited tax £ on these wasteful projects that hurt the movement of people residents and businesses.
- As a blue badge driver, I am finding it harder and harder to park on road in Bath.
- Everything you lot do further destroys the lives of workers, businesses, residents and tourists.
- The removal of additional parking spaces serves no useful purpose for residents and visitors.

*Response: The modification of the No Parking Between Times (Single Yellow Lines) within central Bath from 8am - 7pm to 8am – 6pm, in order to correspond with the parking restrictions which are **currently in place** on the ground and the removal of the Police Parking Bay outside of the Guildhall from the non-order layer and its inclusion within the formal TRO are **administrative amendments** only and **NO CHANGES TO THE RESTRICTIONS ON-SITE WILL BE MADE AS PART OF THIS ORDER**. Therefore, it is the recommendation of this report that the Order is made and sealed as advertised.*

10. **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM WARD MEMBERS AND CABINET MEMBER FOR SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT DELIVERY (in response to the above)**

**Ward Members**

**Kingsmead:**

Cllr Paul Roper – No comment.

Cllr George Tomlin – No comment.

**Lansdown:**

Cllr Lucy Hodge – No comment.

Cllr Mark Elliott – No comment.

**Walcot:**

Cllr Oli Henman – No comment.

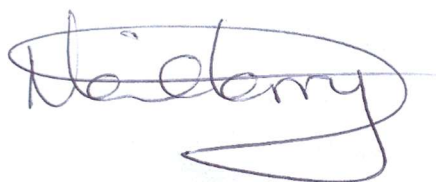
Cllr John Leach - No comment.

**Cabinet Member for Sustainable Transport Delivery:**

Cllr Lucy Hodge – I have no additional comments on this admin update.

11. **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Traffic Regulation Order as advertised should be implemented.



Neil Terry  
Traffic Management & Network Manager

Date: 02/04/2026

12. **DECISION**

As the Officer holding the above delegation, I have decided that the objections / comments be not acceded to and the Order as advertised be sealed.

The Council's policy framework has been used as the basis to develop the scheme with full engagement with stakeholders across the area.

I further note that the issue of deciding whether to implement any scheme is a matter of broad judgement, taking into account the wider transport and climate aims of the Council rather than a purely mathematical analysis on the numbers of positive or negative responses.

The arguments both for and against the scheme were clearly identified and were considered fully as part of the decision-making process before I made the final decision as set out above.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Major', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Chris Major  
Director for Place Management

Date:07/04/2026