

## **STATEMENT OF REASONS**

### **THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (HIGH STREET, WATFORD) (WAITING RESTRICTIONS) EXPERIMENTAL ORDER 2022**

The introduction of the changes to waiting restrictions on the South West Side of High Street are as follows:

- Introduction of no waiting and no loading at any time for the duration of the south west side of High Street between its junctions with King Street and Market Street, with the exception of a dedicated bay adjacent to 114 High Street as follows.
- Introduction of a shared use Goods Vehicles Loading and Taxi bay, located adjacent to 114 High Street, for Goods Vehicles Loading Only Monday to Friday 2am to 11am, At all other times No Waiting except taxis.

These changes are in alignment with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and are necessary for the following reasons:

- For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs through improving the urban realm and management of traffic flow within the area.
- For facilitating passage on the road by pedestrians and cyclists.
- To provide an increased presence of taxi use in the Town Centre, especially during the evening and early hours in the interests of public safety
- To eliminate indiscriminate parking outside of the existing bay markings which causes obstruction to other vehicles passing.

The order is experimental in nature to coincide with the access restrictions which facilitate vehicular access to the area at High Street (north of its junction with King Street) which is also experimental. Objections to the order may be made within six months **of XXX** and a decision on whether to proceed to a more permanent restriction will be made within 18 months.

The Council reserves the right to produce an amended or further statement in the context of any public enquiry or judicial proceedings to these proposals

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