

STATEMENT OF REASONS

THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (RICKMANSWORTH ROAD, WATFORD) (GOODS VEHICLE LOADING AND NO WAITING EXCEPT TAXIS) ORDER 2023

The general effect of this order is to amend the current waiting restrictions within the layby area of Rickmansworth Road area adjacent to The Parade. This will require the bus stop clearway to be shortened by 16 metres, to accommodate a marked bay which will be introduced at the north eastern end of the layby. This marked bay will be restricted to **Goods Vehicles Loading Only 8am to 5pm and No Waiting Except Taxis 5pm to Midnight and Midnight to 8am.**

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

- For avoiding danger to persons and traffic using the road, and through preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising through parking from taking place on the public highway.
- To eliminate indiscriminate parking in the area which creates a road safety hazard for all road users.
- For preventing the use of the area by vehicular traffic for which it is unsuitable having regard to the existing character of the area
- For ensuring emergency vehicular access and egress can be maintained to the Parade
- For facilitating the passage on the road for public transport users and pedestrians using these services.

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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