

The Essex County Council (Epping Forest District) (Permitted Parking and Special Parking Area) (Amendment No 5) Order 201X

Statement of Reasons

The proposed traffic regulation orders form part of Epping Forest District Council's strategic review of available parking in Loughton.

The Council's purpose for requesting the introduction of the traffic regulation orders include the following reasons:

- The proposals are required to reduce the probability of road traffic accidents
- In the interests of public safety to ensure that emergency services have unimpeded access to residential areas and shopping areas
- To enhance the lines of sight in the local street scene for vulnerable road users, children, pedestrians and drivers alike
- Improve the quality of life for those people in the district who often find access to their homes or businesses blocked
- To enable disabled badge holders and parents with push chairs to cross the road at dropped kerb positions within the shopping centres
- To improve independent living and access for persons requiring the use of and access to disabled badge holder parking bays
- To provide parking opportunities in and close to the town centre to encourage and support the local business and economy
- To effectively manage the classes of vehicles parked in certain areas

Lenthall Road

Pay and display bays are proposed in Langston Road to allow additional parking for businesses and the new retail centre. Pay and display parking is being proposed to ensure a turnover of spaces.

Business Permits will be offered the opportunity to purchase business permits to allow unlimited time parking in the pay and display bays

Rectory Lane

Parking and waiting restrictions are proposed in Rectory Lane to regularise the unregulated parking that is taking place. Waiting restrictions are proposed to prevent parking and so ensure sight lines to avoid danger to persons and other traffic or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger occurring.

Restrictions are proposed to prevent stopping on the grass verge as these can be damaged if parked on by vehicles.

Pay and display parking is proposed to regularise the parking that is available, ensure that parking does not take place inconsiderately and to ensure a turnover of spaces.

Torrington Drive/Torrington Gardens

Resident permit parking is proposed between 10am and 2pm Monday to Friday. This is to provide priority parking for residents and their visitors by stopping non-residential parking.

Oakwood Hill

Pay and display parking is proposed to regularise the parking that is available, ensure that parking does not take place inconsiderately.

Current bus stops will remain in place and be unaffected by the proposals. Waiting restrictions will be introduced in areas where it is not considered appropriate and to enhance sight lines to avoid danger to persons and other traffic or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger occurring.

Restrictions will be introduced to ensure access/egress to nature reserve.

Oakwood Hill Industrial Estate

A dual use business permit and 2 hour limited waiting with no return within 2 hours restriction is proposed. This is intended to prevent all day parking by commuters whilst still allowing visitors to businesses on the estate to park free of charge for up to 2 hours.

Waiting restrictions are proposed at the entrance and in the turning circles on the estate to prevent parking to enhance sight lines to avoid danger to persons and other traffic or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger occurring.

The Broadway

The proposal is to alter the current no waiting restrictions to no waiting and no loading at any time. This restriction will cover any area that is not a marked parking bay and is proposed for safety reasons to prevent vehicles parking on pavements.

Colson Road/Honeycroft

Waiting restrictions are proposed on the junction of Colson Road/Honeycroft to prevent parking to enhance sight lines to avoid danger to persons and other traffic or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger occurring.

Lushes Court/Lushes Road/Colson Road/Ladyfields

A resident permit scheme is proposed between 10am and 2pm Monday to Friday. This is to provide priority parking for residents and their visitors by stopping non-residential parking.

Bus stops and disabled parking spaces will be maintained in their current positions.

An area of pay and display parking is proposed towards the north end of Ladyfields, this is to regularise the parking that is available and ensure that parking does not take place inconsiderately.

Waiting restrictions are proposed in areas where parking would be inappropriate to ensure that the free flow of traffic is possible and to enhance

sight lines to avoid danger to persons and other traffic or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger occurring.

Chigwell Lane

No stopping restrictions are proposed to keep the road clear of parked vehicles and so enhance sight lines to avoid danger to persons or other traffic or for the preventing the likelihood of any such danger occurring. The no stopping restriction will also help to maintain the traffic flow.