

# PUBLIC NOTICE

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (MARKET PLACE, MARKET STREET,  
LITTLE CHURCH STREET AND CHURCH TERRACE, WISBECH)  
(PEDESTRIAN ZONE) ORDER 20\$\$**

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS STREETS, WISBECH)  
(WAITING RESTRICTIONS AND STREET PARKING PLACES)  
(CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 20\$\$**

Cambridgeshire County Council proposes to make Orders under Sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 4 and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers and after consulting with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act the effect of which will be to introduce a Pedestrian Zone and associated Waiting Restrictions in the Market Place area of Wisbech, as follows:-

- A Pedestrian Zone, prohibiting use by all vehicles from 7am to 4pm on all days, covering Market Place, part of Market Street, part of Church Terrace and Little Church Street, with loading/unloading permitted between 7am and 10am.
- The installation of gates at the closure points in Market Place, Market Street and Church Terrace to physically prevent motor vehicles entering the pedestrian zone during the restricted hours.
- The removal of existing disabled parking spaces and loading bays in Hill Street, Union Street and High Street to be replaced with double yellow lines prohibiting waiting at all times.
- The provision of additional disabled parking spaces in Blackfriars Road.

These restrictions are part of the Market Place enhancement scheme and will create a safer environment for all road users and simplify the parking controls.

Further details of the above proposals, including a plan, may be examined on the Council's website <http://bit.ly/cambridgeshiretro> or e-mail [policyandregulation@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:policyandregulation@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) or telephone 0345 045 5212 for further advice. Our reference PR0631.

Objections to the proposal, together with the grounds on which they are made or any additional comments, must be sent in writing to the undersigned or by email to [policyandregulation@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:policyandregulation@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020 quoting reference PR0631. Comments received will be used as part of our consultation process and may be published, but will be anonymised, in any reports.

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*26<sup>th</sup> August 2020*

CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure)  
(England and Wales) Regulations 1996

Section 6 and Paragraph 2 of Schedule 2

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STATEMENT OF REASONS

Name of Orders:

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THE AUTHORITY'S REASONS for proposing to make the  
above mentioned Orders are as follows:

1. For facilitating the passage on the road or other road for any class of traffic (including pedestrians);
2. 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;
3. For preserving the character of the road in a case where it is specially suitable for use by persons on foot; and
4. For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

Explanatory Note:

The proposed Orders are related to a planned Market Place enhancement scheme being promoted by Wisbech Town Council. The project involves the pedestrianisation of Market Place, part of Market Street, Little Church Street and part of Church Terrace between 7am and 4pm.

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The scheme will create a safer environment for all users of the Market Place area of Wisbech and allow the space to be used for more community focused events. The pedestrian zone will be physically closed during the above times by gates that will allow pedestrians and unriden cycles to pass through.

Parking will be permitted in the pedestrian zone from 4pm to 7am. Loading and unloading will be permitted within the zone between 7am and 10am.

The scheme will include changes to the parking restrictions which will reduce street clutter and make them easier for drivers to understand. This includes the removal of most of the existing parking bays in Market Place, but additional disabled parking spaces will be provided in Blackfriars Road.

The existing disabled parking spaces and loading bays in Hill Street, Union Street and High Street will be removed and replaced with double yellow lines prohibiting waiting at all times. It is legally permissible to load/unload goods on double yellow lines and disabled drivers may park on them for up to 3 hours. These roads are outside of the pedestrian zone, but it is considered that the existing parking controls need to be simplified and would assist with any future pedestrianisation plans.

The opportunity is being taken to rationalise all on-street waiting restrictions, loading restrictions and parking places in Wisbech. The existing Orders will be consolidated into a single map-based Order. This will result in no material changes to any restrictions, other than those included within the published town centre pedestrianisation scheme.

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AND CHURCH TERRACE, WISBECH)  
(PEDESTRIAN ZONE) ORDER 20\$\$**

The Cambridgeshire County Council ("the Council") in exercise of its powers under Sections 1(1) and (2), 2(1) to (3) and 4(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") as amended by the Road Traffic Regulation (Parking) Act 1986 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act hereby make the following Order:-

1. This Order shall come into operation on the xxth day of Xxxxxx 20\$\$ and may be cited as the "Cambridgeshire County Council (Market Place, Market Street, Little Church Street and Church Terrace, Wisbech) (Pedestrian Zone) Order 20\$\$".

2. (i) In this Order:-

"Council" means Cambridgeshire County Council;

"Disabled Person's Badge" has the same meaning as in regulation 3(1) of The Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) Regulations 1982 as amended by the Disabled persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations 1991;

"Parking Disc" has the same meaning as in Regulation 8(5) of The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (England) Regulations 2000;

"Parking Place" means an area of a highway designated as such by any Order made by Cambridgeshire County Council;

"Pedestrian Zone" means all the areas of highway in the District of Fenland in the Town of Wisbech delineated by hatching shown on the plan in the Schedule to this Order;

"Permit" means a permit issued in accordance with Article 10 of this Order;

"Permit Holder" means a person issued a Permit;

"Permitted Loading Hours" means 7am to 10am on all days;

"Relevant Position" has the same meaning as in Regulation 4 of The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (England) Regulations 2000;

"Zone Restricted Hours" means 7am to 4pm on all days;

- (ii) For the purposes of this Order a vehicle shall display a Disabled Person's Badge, Parking Disc or Permit in the relevant position.
  - (iii) Except where otherwise stated, any reference in this Order to a numbered article or Schedule is a reference to the Article or Schedule bearing that number in this Order.
  - (iv) Any reference in this Order to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended by any subsequent enactment.
3. Save as provided in Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of this Order no person shall except with the permission or the direction of a Police Officer in uniform cause or permit any vehicle to be used or to proceed in the Pedestrian Zone during the Zone Restricted Hours.
4. Nothing in Article 3 of this Order shall apply so as to prevent any person from causing or permitting any motor vehicle to be used or to proceed in the Pedestrian Zone to enable goods to be loaded on or unloaded from the vehicle within the Permitted Loading Hours.
5. Nothing in Article 3 of this Order shall apply so as to prevent any person from causing or permitting any motor vehicle to be used or to proceed in the Pedestrian Zone during the Zone Restricted Hours if the vehicle is:-
- (a) an ambulance, fire brigade vehicle or police vehicle required to be in the Pedestrian Zone in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;
  - (b) a medical practitioner's vehicle required to be in the Pedestrian Zone in an emergency.
6. Nothing in Article 3 of this Order shall apply so as to prevent any person from causing or permitting any motor vehicle to be used or to proceed in the Pedestrian Zone during the Zone Restricted Hours if the vehicle is:-
- (a) a local authority vehicle required in pursuance of statutory powers or duties to be in the Pedestrian Zone;
  - (b) a statutory undertaker's vehicle required to be in the Pedestrian Zone for the purposes of installing repairing or maintaining equipment or apparatus which is placed on under or adjacent to a road within the Pedestrian Zone or accessible only from a road within the Pedestrian Zone;
  - (c) a vehicle required to be in the Pedestrian Zone for use in connection with any building operation or demolition on or

adjacent to a road within the Pedestrian Zone or the removal of any obstruction to traffic from or the maintenance improvement or reconstruction of the Pedestrian Zone unless the vehicle in question could conveniently be used for such purposes in any other road not affected by this Order;

- (d) a vehicle required to be in the Pedestrian Zone while it is in actual use in connection with the removal of furniture from one office or dwelling house in or only accessible from a road within the Pedestrian Zone to another or the removal of furniture from such premises to a depository or to such premises from a depository.
7. Nothing in Article 3 of this Order shall apply so as to prevent any person from causing or permitting any motor vehicle to proceed in Church Terrace and Little Church Street immediately after leaving a Parking Place located on the north side of Church Terrace adjacent to property nos.4 and 5 Church Terrace.
  8. Nothing in Article 3 of this Order shall apply so as to prevent any person from causing or permitting any motor vehicle to proceed in the Pedestrian Zone if the vehicle is necessary for the holding of any event held within the Pedestrian Zone providing the event has the prior approval of Wisbech Town Council and meets all necessary requirements of Cambridgeshire County Council and Fenland District Council.
  9. Nothing in Article 3 of this Order shall apply so as to prevent any person from causing or permitting a pedal cycle to proceed in the pedestrian zone during the Zone Restricted Hours if the cycle is dismounted and pushed through the Pedestrian Zone.
  10. The Head of Highways of the Council may at his or her absolute discretion issue Permits to drivers in receipt of either a Mobility Allowance, or the higher rate of the mobility component of the Disability Living Allowance or War Pension Mobility Supplement and to residents of premises within the Pedestrian Zone and occupiers of business premises with the Pedestrian Zone that require access to off-street parking facilities, which when displayed in the manner prescribed in Article 2(ii) shall exempt the displaying vehicle from the prohibitions of vehicles and waiting imposed by this Order in the Pedestrian Zone:-
    - (a) If a Permit is defaced or mutilated or the figures or particulars on it have become illegible or the colour of the Permit has become altered by fading or otherwise the Permit Holder shall surrender it to the Council and may then apply to the Council for the issue to him or her of a duplicate;
    - (b) If a Permit is lost or destroyed the Permit Holder may apply to the Council for the issue to him or her of a duplicate;

- (c) The provisions of this Order shall apply to a duplicate Permit in the same way as they apply to the original Permit;
- (d) The Council may, by serving notice in writing on the Permit Holder, withdraw any Permit if it appears to the Council that any of the events set out below has occurred and the Permit shall be surrendered to the Council within 48 hours of the receipt of the said notice:-
  - (i) the Permit has been displayed on a vehicle in the Pedestrian Zone being used by a person other than the Permit Holder;
  - (ii) the Council has issued a duplicate Permit;
  - (iii) if the Permit has been defaced or mutilated or the figures or particulars on it have become illegible.

11. The restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation of any restriction or requirement imposed by any regulations made or having effect as if made under the Act or by or under any other enactment.

12. The Council are satisfied that for avoiding danger to persons using the Pedestrian Zone or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising that it is requisite that Section 3(1) of the Act should not apply in relation to this Order.

The COMMON SEAL of the CAMBRIDGESHIRE )  
COUNTY COUNCIL was hereunto affixed )  
 this xx<sup>th</sup> day of Xxxxx 20\$\$ )  
 in the presence of: )

Authorised Officer

SCHEDULE  
Pedestrian Zone

