

THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF CALDERDALE (ON-STREET WAITING, LOADING AND PARKING PLACES) CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2024 (VARIATION NO.) ORDER *20****

**THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF CALDERDALE (TRAFFIC REGULATION)
(EASTERN CORRIDOR, HALIFAX) (NO. 1) ORDER 20****

**THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF CALDERDALE
(RESERVED BUS LANES) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2022
(VARIATION NO. *) ORDER 20****

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Calderdale Council is proposing to make the above Orders to facilitate a package of improvement measures in Halifax Town Centre which will provide improved accessibility for residents and visitors, reduce congestion and improve pedestrian and cycling connectivity within the historic core of Halifax.

To deliver these improvements, changes are required to the existing Traffic Regulation Orders, and some new orders are also required. These will include changes to existing parking and loading (disabled, car, taxi and motorcycle), to bus stops, the introduction of bus lanes, cycle and pedestrian zones, and some changes to traffic movements e.g. mandatory turns and direction of travel (e.g. one-way roads).

The proposals primarily include:

NO WAITING AND NO LOADING AT ANY TIME RESTRICTIONS ON LENGTHS OF:

- Alfred Street East, Blackledge, Causeway, Charles Street, Church Street, Commercial Street, Cross Street, Deal Street, Gaol Lane, Horton Street, King Street, Lister Street, New Road, Powell Street, Prescott Street, Rawson Street, South Parade, Square Road, Wade Street, Well Lane, Winding Road

PAY AND DISPLAY PARKING

- Introduction of new and amended lengths of P&D parking on Alfred Street East, Deal Street and New Road (4 hours maximum, 8am-8pm, all days)
- Introduction of amended lengths of P&D parking on Rawson Street (2 hours maximum, 8am-8pm, all days)
- Changes to the days/hours of the existing P&D parking on King Street, Cripplegate and Mulcture Hall Road to (8am-8pm, all days)

PEDESTRIAN ZONE - PROHIBITION OF DRIVING (EXCEPT FOR ACCESS AND LOADING)

- The length of Square Road adjacent to the Piece Hall will be restricted to access and loading only at all times, this will be managed by rising bollards. No waiting at any time restrictions will apply. Through traffic will follow a new section of road (Church Street) to the east of Hughes House.

PROHIBITION OF DRIVING (MOTOR VEHICLES)

- New Road will be closed at its south eastern end (junction with Church Street) to motorised vehicles) to create a safer space for pedestrians and cyclists.

BUS GATE/LANE

- Access along Winding Road between the exit from Woolshops Car Park (Hatters Fold) to King Street (northbound) and King Street to Causeway (southbound) will be restricted to buses, cycles, motor cycles and taxis only, there will be no through route for other vehicles.

ONE WAY ROADS

- Blackledge – from Square Road west for 20 metres
- Lilly Lane – from Church Street east for 11 metres
- New Road – from Wellington Place west to Union Street South
- Square Road – from Church Street north to Alfred Street East
- Wellington Place – from Prescott Street north to New Road

MANDATORY LEFT TURNS

- Causeway – left turn to Charles Street
- Prescott Street – left turn to Church Street

OTHER PROPOSED RESTRICTIONS

- Alfred Street East – Car Club and motor cycle parking
- Causeway – A section of loading only restriction
- Commercial Street – Lengths of P&D/Disabled badge/Taxi/Motor Cycle parking
- Deal Street - A section of loading only restriction
- Rawson Street - A section of loading only restriction
- Winding Road - A length of 15 minutes limited waiting

The Council considers it expedient to make the Orders-

- i. For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the roads or any other roads or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising;
- ii. For facilitating the passage on the roads of any class of traffic (including pedestrians);
- iii. For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the roads run;
- iv. For management of the quality of air pursuant to paragraphs (a) to (c) of sub section (1) of Section 87 of the Environmental Act 1995 (air quality)

Thorough consideration has been given by the Council to the factors set out in Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 in proposing the Orders. This requires the local authority to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic (including pedestrians). In carrying out this exercise the Council must have regard to the:

- a) Desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises.

- b) The effect on the amenities of any locality effected and (without prejudice to the generality of this paragraph) the importance of regulating and restricting the use of roads by heavy commercial vehicles, so as to preserve or improve the amenities of the areas through which the road(s) run.
- c) The strategy prepared under Section 80 of the Environment Act 1995 (the national air quality strategy).
- d) The importance of facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and of securing the safety and convenience of persons using or desiring to use such vehicles.
- e) Any other matters appearing to the local authority to be relevant