

THE CITY OF SOUTHAMPTON (VIOLET ROAD) (BUS GATE) EXPERIMENTAL ORDER 2021

Statement of Reasons

This Order is being proposed for the following reasons:

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic

Southampton City Council has been working with Cantell School to improve safety at the school entrance gate on Violet Road. We are now introducing a 'School Street' scheme which will see the road directly outside the school entrances closed to motor vehicles at the start and end of each school day. A number of other schools across the city are currently trialling similar closures, which help to create a safer, greener and more pleasant environment outside schools and support more families to travel sustainably on the school run.

The upcoming closure on Violet Road will come into effect on 1st November 2021 and will be located between Primrose Road and Copperfield Road. This will be in place during term time only between 08:00am and 09:30am, and 14:15pm and 15:45pm.

During these times, students will not be able to be dropped off or picked up by motor vehicle within the closure zone along Violet Road. Local residents and buses will be able to continue to enter the zone, with the closure signposted as a Bus Gate restriction and camera enforcement in place.

In authorising the advertisement of these proposals the Council has given consideration to its duty under s122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway (while having regard to the matters specified in s122 subsection (2) of that Act).