

## THE CITY OF SOUTHAMPTON (HILL LANE) ORDER 2022

### 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 (*i.e. to improve safety*)
- for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians)
- for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs
- Improving air quality

Southampton City Council has received £1.225m from the Government's Active Travel Fund to create better spaces for walking and cycling. These proposals have been developed following engagement with local residents, businesses, emergency services and other key stakeholders.

The Council recently sent out a survey in Autumn 2021 to people who live and work in the Hill Lane area, asking them for their thoughts on changes to Hill Lane. The scheme includes the provision of cycle lanes and pedestrian crossings in a section of Hill Lane, between Wilton Road and Bellemoor Road.

The responses have been collated. Below is a summary of the results:

- Over 64% of respondents agreed that the installation of segregated cycle lanes would make cyclists and children feel safer when using active travel modes around the area and to and from school.
- 72% of people agreed that the changes would not impact vehicle journey times and 78% felt that the proposed crossings will make it safer for people to cross the road. The majority of people also strongly believed that this scheme would make the Common easier to access.