## THE CITY OF SOUTHAMPTON (VARIOUS ROADS) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING) (AMENDMENT 81) ORDER 2022

## **Statement of Reasons**

The Active Travel Zone (ATZ) project in St Denys has taken shape through collaboration with the residents of the neighbourhood. Southampton City Council has been working with the St Denys community, to address concerns relating to air quality, levels of traffic, and safety for walking and cycling in the area that were raised in the '*Your St Denys Your Say*' survey in late 2019. The Active Travel Zone project aims to create a greener, safer, and healthier environment for everyone by identifying and making some small changes to the streets and roads that will improve walking and cycling for short journeys.

The St Denys ATZ is funded by money from the government's Transforming Cities Fund (TCF). The TCF programme in Southampton has clear objectives to improve how people move in and around the city with an investment of nearly £70m, with £57m funded by Department for Transport. The programme aims to make it easier to walk, cycle and travel by bus.

As part of the St Denys ATZ scheme, modal filters were installed in November 2020 to prevent residential streets being used as cut-through routes, reducing the dominance of vehicular traffic and improving conditions for walking and cycling.

One of these modal filters are on North Road, 40m east of Stanley Road. The resultant is increased traffic (pedestrian, cycle and motor vehicles) around the junction of Stanley Road and North Road. No Waiting at Any Time restrictions are proposed, where applicable.

The other modal filter is on Kent Road, between Belgrave Road and Saltmead where vehicles have been observed parking close to the filter causing obstruction issues. No Waiting at Any Time is proposed to resolve this obstruction.

## Benefits

- Improved sight lines
- Improved crossing safety for pedestrians
- Improved access at the junction and modal filters

## Specific

- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic
- 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*)

In authorising the advertisement of these proposals, the Council has given consideration to its duty under s.122 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 s.122 subsection (2) of that Act).