

THE CITY OF SOUTHAMPTON (EAST PARK TERRACE) ORDER 2023

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

The Transforming Cities Programme includes ambitious proposals to transform Southampton City Centre and affirm its place as the economic, retail and cultural heart of the city. The City Centre schemes are focused on transforming gateways, ensuring that travel both into and around the City Centre is an accessible and enjoyable experience for everyone. As part of this programme, it is intended to make East Park Terrace a sustainable corridor.

East Park Terrace would become a bus/taxi and cycle only road between Charlotte Place Roundabout and the New Road / Palmerston Road junction. The section will work in conjunction with the New Road Bus Connectivity scheme.

This will allow public realm improvements along this link creating a better and more enjoyable environment for people walking and cycling. It will also create better connectivity between the university, the parks and the City Centre.

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).