

**THE CITY OF SOUTHAMPTON
(MOVING TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT 1) ORDER 2023**

Statement of 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 proposed to install a bus gate on Portland Terrace to improve bus access, support access to the planned Albion Terrace bus hub, and reduce the longer term impact on climate change and air quality through increased use of sustainable transport.

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).