## **Statement of Reasons**

- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians)
- 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

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).

Cycling Southampton 2017-2027 sets out Southampton City Council's (SCC) approach to investing in and realising the Local Authorities 10-year vision. To make cycling treated as a normal form of transport and create a liveable and thriving city. It outlines what work has already being undertaken, develops a policy approach for cycling, and sets out a Delivery Plan of proposed improvements to the cycle network and initiatives to realise the vision for cycling in Southampton

Delivering on Cycling Southampton will make Southampton a safe place for people who want to cycle, showcase what cycling can do to improve people's lives particularly their health, provides priority for cycling, integrate with ferries, trains, and buses, improve the quality of the air, reduce congestion on our roads so every can get around easily, and support the future of Southampton with sustainable people focused growth and productivity over the next decade and beyond

The Southampton Cycle Network (SCN) is our statement for Southampton having a safe, integrated, and easy to use network of cycle facilities that is usable by everybody. This will provide people with a choice of routes including a series of high quality safe routes that radiate out from the city centre and goes across the city, along with a network of quieter routes, open spaces, off-road paths and waterside routes. The SCN hierarchy of strategic, local and leisure routes has been devised acknowledging that people will want to choose different routes for different purposes. The introduction of a cycle route along Bitterne Road East between Maybray King Way and Somerset Avenue will form part of SCN2 Bitterne Village to Hedge End and will travel along the A334 Bitterne Road East. A 20mph speed limit will improve safety in the surrounding roads.

These changes are proposed in the following public notices;

- The City of Southampton (Bitterne Road East) Order 2024
- The City of Southampton (Various Roads) (Speed Limits) (Amendment 30) Order 2024
- The City of Southampton (Bitterne Road East) (Cycle Facilities) Notice 2024
- The City of Southampton (Bitterne Road East) Crossing Notice 2024