THE CITY OF SOUTHAMPTON (MOVING TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT 5) ORDER 2025

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)

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).

General

The traffic signals at the junction of Winchester Road, Bladon Road and the access to Wickes is staggered. During the green phase for vehicles exiting Bladon Road and Wickes Development there is often conflict at the site for vehicles turning right at either end of the junction.

The Wickes site is planned for redevelopment and will include an Aldi, generating additional vehicles entering and exiting the site.

In light of this the s278 includes a requirement to make Bladon Road one-way (north-west traffic only) to improve safety, reduce conflicts and improve the effectiveness of the junction with the development site.