

The City of Southampton
(Various Roads) (Speed Limits) (Amendment 31) Order 2026.

Statement of Reasons

The above Order is proposed for the following reasons:

- 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*),
- For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

The Bargate Shopping Centre redevelopment is underway following a decision by the Council to grant planning permission for the scheme. The development will seek to improve the setting of The Bargate and City Walls, providing retail units and housing, with changes to the road layout accessing the development.

With the Bargate Quarter redevelopment, there are proposed changes to the *parking, movement, speed, cycle facilities* and *crossings* reflecting the new road layout and changed use of the highway.

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).