



Statement of Reasons

The City of London (Free Parking Places) (Disabled Persons) (Amendment No. *) Order 202*

The City of London (Parking Places) (Amendment No. *) Order 202*

The City of London (Loading Bays) (Amendment No. *) Order 202*

The City of London (Waiting and Loading Restriction) (Amendment No. *) Order 202*

Proposals

To make the following amendments in the City of London in: -

- (a) **Ave Maria Lane** to introduce two disabled persons parking spaces on the east side adjacent to Warwick Court, No. 1 Paternoster Square;
- (b) **Bridgewater Square** to relocate the existing disabled persons parking bay on the west side opposite Nos. 10-15 Bridgewater Square by 1.5 metres in a northerly direction and introduce one additional disabled persons parking bay in a southerly direction;
- (c) **Bucklersbury** to introduce two disabled persons parking spaces on the north-east side adjacent to No. 1 Queen Victoria Street;
- (d) **Little Britain:** -
 - (i) to extend the existing disabled persons parking place on the south side outside No. 75 Little Britain by 0.9 metres in a westerly direction;
 - (ii) to extend the existing disabled persons parking place on the south side opposite No. 1 Little Britain by 0.7 metres in an easterly direction and introduce two disabled persons parking bays in a westerly direction;
 - (iii) to introduce two payment parking bays on the south side outside No. 75 Little Britain;
 - (iv) to introduce two payment parking bays on the south side opposite Nos. 2-3 Little Britain;
 - (v) to introduce a loading bay on the south side outside No. 75 Little Britain;
 - (vi) to replace a section of the 'existing '7am to 7pm Mon to Fri and 7am to 11am Sat, any such day not being Christmas Day, Good Friday or a Bank Holiday' waiting restrictions with 'at any time' waiting restrictions on the south side outside the vehicle access to No. 75 Little Britain;
 - (vii) to introduce an 'at any time' loading restriction on the south side outside the vehicle access to No. 75 Little Britain.

Reasons

The introduction of new disabled persons parking bays is proposed in response to growing demand for and consistent provision of disabled parking places in the City.

The introduction and amendment of the waiting and loading restrictions is intended to prevent obstructive parking/loading at the proposed locations, thereby improving access/egress to No. 75 Little Britain. This will also improve visibility, accessibility and road safety for all road users, particularly for people crossing at that location.

A loading bay is being introduced in the area to mitigate the impact of the new waiting and loading restrictions and parking bays in Little Britain.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

These traffic orders are to be implemented in accordance with Section 6 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) as it appears to the City Corporation that it is expedient to make the Order for the purpose of facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians) and for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.

When considering whether to make a traffic order the City Corporation is under a duty pursuant to section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended), to secure so far as practicable 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 having regard to the matters specified in section 122(2).

It is considered that the proposals will assist to secure the safer movement of vehicular and pedestrian traffic and reduce and prevent road danger. Furthermore, it is considered that the proposals will affect the matters specified in section 122(2) as follows:

(a) the desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises;

COMMENT: Reasonable access to premises has been maintained.

(b) the effect on the amenities of any locality affected and (without prejudice to the generality of this paragraph) the importance of regulating and restricting the use of roads by heavy commercial vehicles, to preserve or improve the amenities of the areas through which the roads run;

COMMENT: Access for heavy goods vehicles maintained as existing. Although the proposed waiting and loading restrictions on Little Britain reduces the availability for people to park and load, a loading bay has been introduced nearby to mitigate the impact. Although the disabled persons parking bays in other locations reduce the availability of kerbside space for parking/loading outside of the existing restrictions, there are nearby alternative locations where this can still be undertaken.

(bb) the strategy prepared under section 80 of the Environment Act 1995 (national air quality strategy);

COMMENT: Not applicable.

(c) the importance of facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and of securing the safety and convenience of persons using or desiring to use such vehicles;

COMMENT: There is no impact on Public Service Vehicles.

(d) any other matters appearing to the strategic highways company or the local authority to be relevant.

COMMENT: These proposals meet the aims of the City Transport Strategy to make the best and most efficient use of kerbside space, ensuring adequate provision of disabled bays and short stay parking to match the priorities of different stakeholders around the City.

Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016

All associated signing and lining will be in accordance with Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

Equality Act 2010

Thorough consideration has been given to the Equalities duty of the Council under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.