

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

Brighton & Hove (Argyle Road) (Argyle Road) Various Restrictions Experimental Order 2020 (TRO-13-2020)

STATEMENT OF REASONS

The coronavirus (Covid-19) public health crisis has had a significant impact upon the lives and health of people in the city, as well as significant economic consequences. It has also resulted in cleaner air and quieter streets and an increase in residents cycling and walking.

As the city begins to see more people go back to work, there is need for residents to carry on cycling and active travel. With public transport capacity reduced, the city could experience significant congestion unless an increase in alternative sustainable options including cycling is facilitated.

The Council has set out a COVID19 Transport Emergency Response Action Plan and the proposals within this traffic order are needed to support the delivery of this agreed plan. Details of the action plan can be viewed at <https://new.brighton-hove.gov.uk/travel-and-transport>

To encourage cycling it is proposed to increase the provision of cycle lane along the A23 Preston Road between Argyle Road and Dyke Road Drive. The connection to this cycle lane will be improved by closing the junction of Argyle Road at Preston Road to motor vehicles and introducing a cycle lane in Argyle Road (Between Campbell Road and Preston Road) this will make this area quieter and safer for cyclists.

To support the cycle lanes no loading restrictions will also be introduced to ensure the lanes are kept clear and unobstructed of parked vehicles.

These changes will be monitored and members of the public are encouraged to comment so that a decision can be made to whether these changes should be made permanent.

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