

# **BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**

**Brighton & Hove Various Controlled Parking Zones Consolidation Order 2018 Amendment Order No.\* 202\* (TRO-23a-2021)**

**Brighton & Hove (Bus Lanes) Consolidation Order 2018 Amendment Order No.\* 202\* (TRO-23b-2021)**

**Brighton & Hove (Traffic Management) (Western Road area, Brighton) Order 202\* (TRO-23c-2021)**

## **STATEMENT OF REASONS**

On 21 July 2021, the Council's Environment, Transport and Sustainability Committee approved preliminary designs for changes to Western Road. The changes are planned to improve the street for those using the area to shop and travel through on foot or by bike. The plans also include changes to the junctions at Dyke Road and the Clock Tower to improve traffic flow for buses and reduce waiting times at pedestrian crossings. Further information can be found at

<https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/onejourneybetter/western-road>

The purpose of the TRO is to make changes to current restrictions to complement these designs.

### **Bus Lane / Bus Route Changes**

The following amendments to the current bus lane / bus route restrictions are proposed. The reason for these changes is to reflect alterations to the road layout at the junction of Western Road, North Street and Dyke Road which would become a priority ('give way') junction. A separate junction would be created between Queen Square and Dyke Road.

The proposed changes are as follows:

- Relocation of the existing bus only route (Monday to Sunday 8am to 8pm) on Western Road, west of its junction with Dyke Road, to North Street, west of its junction with West Street (north-westbound).
- Removal of the southbound bus lane on Dyke Road between Regent Row and North Street. This is to provide vehicle access to Queen Square which will no longer be possible from North Street.
- Introduction of a bus only route (at any time) on Dyke Road/ North Road, south of its new junction with Queen Square. The purpose is to replace the existing bus lane restriction and would apply to all traffic except buses, cycles and taxis (south-eastbound).

The timing of the restrictions would remain consistent with the current timing of 8am to 8pm. This is to allow for essential access to premises on Western Road between Regent Hill and Dyke Road.

### **Parking and Loading**

It is proposed to amend loading restrictions on the section of North Street between West Street and Western Road which will change to Monday to Sunday 8am to 8pm to match the change to the bus only route times above.

## **Side Road Access Changes**

Access restrictions at the junctions of Western Road with Spring Street and Castle Street are also proposed to be changed. These roads are already closed to general traffic and the purpose of the change is to allow access to and from Western Road by cyclists.

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