

**THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF GATESHEAD
(ASKEW ROAD AND SURROUNDING AREA COVID-19 RESPONSE)
EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2020**

Notice is hereby given that on 12th August 2020 the Borough Council of Gateshead (“the Council”) made an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order under Sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 4(2), 9, 10 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (“the Act”) and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Act by virtue of the Traffic Management Act 2004 and all other enabling powers.

The effect of the Order will be to

1. Amend the Borough Council of Gateshead (Traffic Movements) (Consolidation) Order 2010 by suspending various traffic movement restrictions as set out in the Order; and
 - i) Introduce in schedule 6.01 additional Prohibition of Driving Except Pedal Cycles as set out in Schedule 1 below;
 - ii) Introduce in schedule 4.05 additional No Entry to any Vehicle as set out in Schedule 2 below;
 - iii) Introduce in schedule 4.06 No Entry to any Vehicles Except for Pedal Cycles as set out in Schedule 3 below;
 - iv) In Part II Prohibition of Driving, insert a new exception 1(21) as follows – “(21) Any vehicle to proceed in the roads between the hours of 10:00am to 4:00pm and 6:00pm to 8:00pm for as long as may be necessary for loading and unloading purposes only”;
 - v) In Schedule 1.01 Prohibition of Driving insert new item – ‘Half Moon Lane, both sides from its junction with the north east kerb line of Mink Lane to its junction with Hills Street – Exemption 21’;
2. Amend the Borough Council of Gateshead (Bus Lanes) Traffic Regulation Order 2014:-
 - i) In schedule 7 ‘Bus Lane (Bus and Pedal Cycle Only)’ – suspend for the duration of this Order Item 2 West Central Route – the inside lane of the northbound carriageway from a point 9.5 metres north-east of the junction with Mulgrave Terrace in a north easterly then northern direction for 163.5 metres, then continuing in the central lane of that highway in a north westerly direction for 34 metres;
 - ii) In schedule 2 “Bus Lanes (Local Bus Only) introduce the items as set out in Schedule 4 below.

The Order includes a provision to enable the Council’s Service Director for Development, Transport and Public Protection (or their duly authorised officer) to modify or suspend any of the provisions within the Order, whilst it remains in force in accordance with Section 10(2) of the Act.

The Order comes into operation on 20th August 2020 on an experimental basis and it will be in force for a maximum period of 18 months.

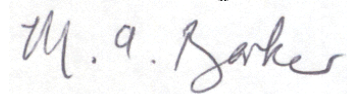
The reason for proceeding by way of an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order is to enable the Council to create a safe environment for pedestrians and cyclists which is in line with the government guidance on maintaining social distancing due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Full details are contained in the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order which, together with a map showing the length of road affected and a statement of the Council's reasons for making the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order, may be examined online at: <http://www.gateshead.gov.uk/trafficschemes> or a copy can be requested by contacting telephone number (0191) 4332169 (Ref: TS/0003961).

The Council will be considering in due course whether the provisions of the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order should be continued in force indefinitely. Within a period of 6 months from 20th August 2020, any person may object to the making of such a permanent order. Any such objection must be in writing, stating the grounds on which it is made, and be sent to the Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance at Gateshead Council Civic Centre, Regent Street, Gateshead NE8 1HH. Any comments in support of the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order are also invited during this period.

Any person who wishes to question the validity of the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order or of any of its provisions on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Act or that any of the requirements of the Act or of any relevant regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may, within 6 weeks after the date when the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order was made, 12th August 2020, make an application for that purpose to the High Court.

Dated 13th August 2020



Mike Barker Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance

Schedule 1

| Item Number | Road Name, Description | Exemption |
|-------------|---|-----------|
| | Hills Street (i) North (a) for its entire length. | |
| | Quaysgate (i) South side (a) for its entire length. | |
| | Askew Road (i) South side (a) from its junction with West Street to its junction with High Street. | |
| | West Street (i) both sides (a) from its junction with Askew Road to the junction with Swinburne Street. | |

Schedule 2

| Item Number | Road Name, Description | Exemption |
|-------------|---|-----------|
| | Gateshead Highway to Quaysgate Link Road for its entire length. | |
| | Quaysgate, Northern Lane at its junction with Oakwellgate. | |
| | Nelson Street at its junction with the West Central Route. | |

Schedule 3

| Street | Side | Description |
|----------------|---------|---|
| Half Moon Lane | (i)Both | (a)From its junction with Wellington Street entering Hills Street in an easterly direction. |

Schedule 4

| Item Number | Street, Side | Description |
|-------------|---|--|
| | Askew Road, North side (eastbound) | (a)From its junction with High Street in a westerly direction for a distance of 84 metres. |
| | Askew Road, North Side (eastbound) | (a)From a point 128 metres west of its junction with High Street in a westerly direction for a distance of 46 metres. |
| | West Central Route West side (northbound) | (a)In the northbound carriageway in the eastern lane from its junction with Askew Road to a point 238 metres south of Askew Road |
| | Quaysgate, North side | (a)For its entire length. |