Devon County Council (Various Roads, North Devon) (E-Scooters Traffic Regulation) Experimental Amendment Order 2021

Devon County Council made this on 7th July under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to come into force 16th July for a maximum of 18 months to amend the orders listed below to add exemptions for electric scooters being used in a trial;

- The County of Devon (Gratton Way/Oakwood Close, Roundswell, Tawstock) (Traffic Regulation) Order 2000
- The County of Devon (Various Streets, Ilfracombe) (Traffic Regulation) Order 2003
- The County of Devon (Ellerslie Road, Fremington, and Beechwood Avenue, Barnstaple) (Prohibition of Entry) Order 1998
- The County of Devon (Park Lane Area, Barnstaple) (Prohibition Of Motor Vehicles) Order 2004
- The County of Devon (Rose Lane to Fairacre Avenue, Barnstaple) (Prohibition of Vehicles) Order 2006
- The County of Devon (Westacott Road, Whiddon Valley, Barnstaple) (Cycle Lane) Order 2006
- The County of Devon (Various Streets, Sticklepath Area, Barnstaple) (Traffic Regulation) Order 2006
- The County of Devon (Rumsam Area, Barnstaple) (Prohibition of Motor Vehicles) Order 2007
- Devon County Council (Barnstaple Town Centre) (Vehicle Prohibitions) Order 2014

Order, plans, orders being amended and statement of reasons may be seen at **https://devon.cc/tro** from 8th July. Free computer use (bookable in advance) is available during their opening hours at most Devon Libraries. Documents are also available to view, by appointment, during normal office hours at the address below. To book an appointment please contact 0345 155 1004 or use the online form at **https://devon.cc/tro**

The Council will consider whether the provisions should continue indefinitely and anyone may object to the making of a permanent order within 6 months from 16th July or if this order is subsequently varied by another order or modified pursuant to section 10(2) of the 1984 Act within 6 months of that variation or modification coming into force. Any objections or other comments giving the grounds on which they are made must in writing to the address below or via **https://devon.cc/tro**. If you make a submission be aware that contact details and points contributed may be made publicly available in accordance with our legal obligations. Receipt of submissions may not be acknowledged but those received will be considered and may be shared within Devon County Council and our partners. Further information on how we process personal data at **https://devon.cc/troprivacy**

If you wish to question the validity of the order or of any of its provisions because it or they are not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any requirement of that Act or any instrument made under it has not been complied with, you may within 6 weeks from the date on which the order was made apply to the High Court for this purpose.

8th July 2021 reference IMR/B18258 | website reference 5864 County Solicitor, County Hall, Topsham Road, Exeter EX2 4QD

Statement of Reasons

The Department for Transport have made changes to the national regulations to give E-Scooters being used in a trial the same access as cycles. As North Devon is a trial area, the traffic regulation orders in this area need to be amended to formally introduce an exemption where cycles are permitted. Whilst it is proposed to exempt E-Scooters from all corresponding restrictions in the trial area, some areas may be prohibited by Geo-fencing for safety reasons.

The restrictions are proposed for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).