Devon County Council (Station Road, Okehampton) (Rail Station Reopening) Experimental Amendment Order 2021

Devon County Council made this on 20th October under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to come into force 28th October for a maximum of 18 months to introduce

No Waiting At Any Time on Station Road, Okehampton

- (i) west side from a point 242 metres south of its junction with Mill Road for 19 metres in a southerly direction
- (ii) west side from a point 315 metres south of its junction with Mill Road for 16 metres in a southerly direction
- (iii) west side from a point 187 metres south of its junction with Mill Road for 18 metres in a southerly direction

Order, plan, order being amended and statement of reasons may be seen at https://devon.cc/tro from 21st October. Free bookable computer use is available during the opening hours of Devon Libraries. Documents are also available to view, by appointment, during normal office hours at the address below. To book an appointment call 0345 155 1004 or use the 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 28th October 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 the 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.

21st October 2021 reference IMR/B18485 | website reference 5905 County Solicitor, County Hall, Topsham Road, Exeter EX2 4QD

STATEMENT OF REASONS

As part of the Department for Transport's 'Restoring your Railway' initiative, the Dartmoor Line is reopening to provide a daily rail service between Okehampton and Exeter.

Whilst Okehampton station has for a number of years operated a limited Summer Sunday service, it has not offered a weekday service for nearly 50 years. Locally, concerns have been raised through the Town Council about potential congestion through increased car journeys to the rail station. As the full impact of the increased use of the railway station is unknown, Devon County Council are introducing no waiting restrictions within an experimental traffic order to allow the situation to be monitored and, if necessary, to modify the restrictions, based on the uptake of this reopened rail service.