

Devon County Council (Various Roads, North Devon) (E-Scooters Traffic Regulation) Experimental Amendment Order 2023

Devon County Council made this on 14th June under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to come into force 23rd June 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 2022
- Devon County Council (Northfield Lane, Barnstaple) (Prohibition of Motor Vehicles) Order 2021
- Devon County Council (Old Torrington Road, Sticklepath) (Bus Gate) Order 2023
- The County of Devon (Various Streets, Barnstaple) (Reserved Bus Lane) Order 2006

And to permit electric scooters being used in a trial, to use signed cycleways

Order, plans and statement of reasons may be seen at devon.cc/tro from 15th June. Free bookable computer use is available during the opening hours of Devon Libraries. Documents are also available to view during normal office hours at the address below.

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 23rd June 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. Objections stating the grounds on which they are made and other comments must be in writing to the address below or via devon.cc/tro. Receipt of submissions may not be acknowledged but those received will be considered. If you make a submission, please be aware that comments will be anonymised prior to being sent to Highway & Traffic Orders Committee (HATOC) members for consideration or being published on the Council's website. Data may be shared within the Council and our partner agencies. Personal details will be kept confidential in line with the notice at devon.cc/troprivacy and will only be shared in accordance with the terms of this Privacy Notice or to comply with the Council's legal obligations.

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.

15th June 2023

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Director of Legal & Democratic Services, 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).