Honiton Road, Exeter – Bus Lane & Waiting Restrictions Proposals

Devon County Council propose to make these under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 for Exeter

Devon County Council (Honiton Road, Exeter) (Bus Lane) Amendment Order 6197 to amend

Bus Lane times of operation to Mon-Sat 7am-10am on a specified length of Honiton Road

Devon County Council (Honiton Road, Exeter) (Waiting Restrictions) Amendment Order 6198 to introduce

- No Waiting Mon-Sat 7am-10am and 4pm-7pm on a specified length of Honiton Road
- No Loading Mon-Sat 7am-10am and 4pm-7pm on a specified length of Honiton Road

Draft orders, orders being amended, plans and statement of reasons may be seen at https://devon.cc/exeterbsip from 19th September. 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.

Objections and other comments specifying the proposal and the grounds on which they are made must be in writing to the address below or via https://devon.cc/exeterbsip to arrive by 10th October 2024. Receipt of submissions may not be acknowledged but those received will be considered. If you make a submission, be aware that comments will be anonymised prior to being sent to the appropriate committee members for consideration or being published on our website. Your data may be shared within the Council and with our partner agencies. Personal details will be kept confidential in line with the Privacy Notice at https://devon.cc/troprivacy and will only be shared in accordance with the terms of that Notice or to comply with our legal obligations

19th September 2024 reference imr/DEV001/982 | website references 6197 and 6198 Director of Legal & Democratic Services, County Hall, Topsham Road, Exeter EX2 4QD

Statement of Reasons

Devon County Council have been allocated central government funding to improve bus services in the county. The Exeter schemes include enhancements to the Central Bus Corridor (through Heavitree), accommodating up to 30 buses an hour in each direction from Monday to Saturday.

The Central Bus Corridor accommodates up to 30 buses an hour in each direction, Monday to Saturday, and the package of proposals for this corridor are anticipated to achieve up to 4 minutes of journey time savings (depending on the bus route, congestion levels and direction of travel).

The proposal for Honiton Road is to amend the times of operation of the bus lane to provide greater priority for buses to pass queuing traffic during the peak times (Monday to Saturday) when they are currently experiencing delays. Modifications to the waiting and loading restrictions within the bus lane are also proposed to match the new timings.

It is considered that the proposals will facilitate the passage on the road for buses and other authorised vehicles. Overall, they will enable faster and more reliable bus journey times, ensuring bus travel becomes a more attractive alternative to private car use and providing greater benefits to the elderly, disabled and young people who may rely more on public transport.