HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Officer Decision Record

Decision Maker:		Adrian Gray	
Title:		Traffic Order Proposals: Prohibition of Waiting on A326 Marchwood Bypass	
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1. The decision:

1.1. That a traffic order be implemented under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (RTRA), the effects of which will be to introduce a prohibition of waiting along certain stretches of road as follows:

<i>Road</i> A326 Marchwood Bypass	<i>Side</i> North Side	<i>Length</i> From a point 350 metres south of its junction with Bulls Copse Road for a distance of 30.25 metres south of that point.
A326 Marchwood Bypass	South Side	From a point 414 metres south-east of the eastern kerb of the southernmost extent of the slip road leading into Hounsdown Business Park on the southbound carriageway for a distance of 18.25m south-east thereof.

2. Reason for the decision:

2.1. As part of the Transforming Cities Fund work to provide better connection between the Waterside and Southampton City a proposal has been developed for a bus gate at the A326 Marchwood junction and bus lane linking to Rushington Roundabout. This project aims to provide a right turn for buses only from the A326 towards Hounsdown to enable them to travel onward to Rushington Roundabout via a bus lane. The A326 junction will be signal controlled with a bus only right turn and a prohibition on U turning in this area. This will shorten northbound bus routing from the Waterside into Totton and allow buses to avoid general traffic queues.

- 2.2. No objections or representations were received in response to the public consultation which took place between Friday 2nd December 2022 and Friday 23rd December 2022.
- 2.3. Due consideration has been given to RTRA 1984 sections 122(1) and 122(2) and any other relevant legislation. In this case the Decision Maker acting on behalf of the Local Authority considers this TRO expeditious, for the convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians)
- 2.4 The decision outlined in paragraph 2.3 (above) to exercise the functions of the Local Authority under RTRA 1984 sections 122(1) and 122(2) has been reached on the basis of what is reasonably practicable after due regard has been given to:
- The desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. None

4. Scheme Funding:

4.1. Transforming Cities Fund

5. Conflicts of interest:

5.1. None

6. Dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service:

6.1. None

7. Supporting information:

- 7.1. Local Member, Councillor Harrison supports the proposal
- 7.2. Police Traffic Management Officer, Dave Taylor, expresses that the police do not object to this scheme.

Approved by:	Date:
Advion Gray	26/1/2023
Adrian Gray, Head of Highways (Traffic and Safety).	

On behalf of the Director of Universal Services