

**HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**Officer Decision Record**

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Adrian Gray
<b>Title:</b>	Proposed Traffic Order: Chapel Hill, Basingstoke 7.5T Weight Restriction
<b>Reference:</b>	A1025/SL

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**1. The decision:**

1.1. That a traffic order be implemented under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effects of which will be to introduce a 7.5 tonne weight limit restriction on that length of U322 Chapel Hill between its roundabout junction with U322 Kingsclere Road / U322 Sherborne Road and its roundabout junction with the U322 Alencon link road / U322 Winterthur Way, an approximate distance of 354.5 metres (including the unnamed 21.5 metre link road leading from Winterthur Way).

**2. Reasons for the decision:**

2.1. This proposed 7.5t weight limit is designed to restrict (HGV) Heavy Goods Vehicle movements on the relatively short section of Chapel Hill where a low bridge exists; notwithstanding the bridge strike last year, the nearby Houndmills attracts a high volume of HGVs who could attempt to use this route coming from the south.

In association with this restriction, improved goods vehicles directional signage is being investigated to direct vehicles to use the Ring Road.

It should be noted that buses are exempt from this proposal.

2.2 No objections were received in response to the public consultation which took place between 15 June and 06 July 2018 – notices were placed on site, the public notice in The Independent appeared on 15 June 2018 and copies of the notice, draft order, statement of reason, existing orders and drawings of the site are on display at Basingstoke Discovery Centre, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council and Hampshire County Council offices, where they will remain until six weeks after the order is sealed if the scheme goes ahead. These

documents also appeared on the public notices website for this public consultation period.

**3. Other options considered and rejected:**

3.1. None

**4. Scheme Funding:**

4.1. Developer

**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 Westbrook fully supports the proposal, provided buses will be exempt. Councillor James has no objections.

7.2. The Police have no objections but have concerns that they would not be able to enforce the restriction except during the course of normal patrol duties.

7.3. Buses will be exempt from the order. In association with the order HGV signing is being designed to direct HGVs away from this area .

**Approved by:**

**Date:**

  
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8/8/ 2018

**Adrian Gray, Head of Highways (Traffic Manager)**

**On behalf of the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment**