SOLIHULL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Metropolitan Borough of Solihull (Lawnswood Avenue and Adjacent Roads, Shirley) (Total Prohibition of Waiting, Restriction of Waiting and Loading) Order 2022

Statement of Reasons

Solihull Council's 'School Streets' is an innovative project which seeks to aid and promote active travel to school whilst addressing a number of traffic related issues which are a common sight at the school gate at the beginning and end of each day. Through phase 3 of the scheme, measures will be introduced to discourage obstructive parking practices whilst creating a more pleasant environment for everyone around schools. The scheme will promote active travel to school by walking and cycling, which in turn, will help to reduce congestion and improve air quality in the area.

At Lawnswood Avenue and connecting roads, this will be achieved through the introduction of amended parking restrictions, including the introduction of a new loading ban at the start and end of the school day. The intention being to prevent obstructive parking on the main spine of Lawnswood Avenue near to the school. The introduction of a no loading ban will enhance the Authority's ability to proactively enforce the restrictions in place which will benefit both residents and school children as they walk to school.

The Order is expected to have a positive impact by reducing instances of obstructive and dangerous parking, improving the quality of life for residents and enhancing the providing greater road safety for school children.

It is recommended that parking restrictions be advertised as shown on Plan No. 9021.

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