

SOLIHULL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Metropolitan Borough of Solihull (Station Drive, Olton) (Blue Badge Holders Only Parking) Order 2022

Statement of Reasons

Solihull Council has secured funding assistance from Transport for West Midlands to improve the Blue Badge parking arrangements at Olton Railway Station.

Currently, the dedicated parking offering for motorists in possession of a Blue Badge is within the car park opposite the Station. Access for rail customers requires them to navigate a road crossing within the car-park, then negotiate a steep gradient down to Station Drive to continue across the existing zebra crossing in front of the Station building.

The area of Station Drive adjacent to Olton Station is currently set aside as Bus Stop Clearways. Route changes have resulted in these stops/clearways not being fully utilised.

It is therefore proposed that to improve the amenity of the area, Blue Badge holder only parking bays are implemented on Station Drive adjacent to the Station as set out in Plan 008-2022. This will improve access to the Station for Blue Badge holders and provide a small overall increase in the number of parking space within the adjacent car park.

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