

SOLIHULL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Metropolitan Borough of Solihull (Station Road, Balsall Common) (Blue Badge Holder Parking Bay Designation and Restriction of Waiting) Order 2023

Statement of Reasons

The proposal is in response to a request for improved parking for those people qualifying under the Blue Badge parking scheme in Balsall Common centre. This proposal will improve access to the local amenities and takes on board comments received during the consultation exercise carried out in May 2022.

At the centre of Balsall Common village is Station Road, which is the main shopping street. Presently, there are 'limited waiting, Mon - Sat, 8am – 6pm, 2 hours no return 2 hours' bays on both sides of the carriageway which are placed perpendicular to the retail properties. Within the controlled parking area there are two 'Blue Badge Holder' bays, one on either side of the street.

The proposal intends to relocate the 'Blue Badge Holders Only' parking bay outside of the post office on the southern side of the carriageway into the adjacent space which is wider and will accommodate disabled road users' needs much better whilst boarding and alighting from a motor vehicle. There will be no change to the number of blue badge or limited parking spaces because of this proposal.

It is recommended that the restrictions are advertised as shown on Plan 9035 - 1.

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