

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR PROPOSING

**THE BOROUGH OF WELWYN HATFIELD (VARIOUS ROADS, SALISBURY VILLAGE,
HATFIELD) (PROHIBITION OF STOPPING AND WAITING ON VERGE OR FOOTWAY)
ORDER 2020**

Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council is proposing to introduce restrictions in various roads, Hatfield, consisting of a prohibition of stopping and waiting on any verge, vehicle crossover or footway.

The residents of the area were consulted in 2019/20 on proposed restrictions and the results of the consultation showed that many were in favour of the prohibition on verge and footway parking. Parking on verges and footways is an unnecessary obstruction, inconvenience to other road users and causes damage to the highway and underground services.

Existing by-laws in force prohibit parking on grass verges, however current legislation does not allow their enforcement by parking enforcement officers.

Having considered the duty imposed by Section 122 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, it appears to Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council that it is necessary and expedient to make Orders for the following reasons:-

- **For the avoidance of danger to persons or other traffic using the road and preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.**
- **For preventing the use of the road by vehicular traffic in a manner which, is unsuitable having regard to the existing character of the road or adjoining property**

The proposed new restriction applies to the following roads;

- In parts of Aviation Avenue, Barlow Close, Chipmunk Chase, Cunningham Avenue, Derry Leys, Devon Mead, Dragon Road, Errington Close, Fillingham Way, Flamingo Close, Freemans Acre, Halford Court, Horsa Gardens, Mosquito Way, Nimrod Drive, Oxford Place, Queen Bee Court, Richards Street, Salisbury Hall Drive, The Runway, Tiger Moth Way, Waight Close and Walker Grove.

The proposal has been subject to consultation with borough and county councillors representing the area and Hertfordshire County Council. The local Police, Ambulance, Fire and Rescue Services, and local residents and businesses have also been consulted.

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