

Statement of Reasons

This Experimental Traffic Order is being proposed in connection with the requirement of planning application ref 23/00631/FULL; granted permission by the Council to build a new school and in response to ongoing operational and safety concerns within Wantz Road, Dagenham.

The current existing restrictions are being persistently misused by vehicles engaged in loading or unloading activities, which has led to significant operational issues and this issue compounded by vehicles parked inconsiderately and obstructing the footway.

Given the persistent nature of these issues and impact on the network, the Council considers it necessary to trial the introduction to replace the existing double yellow lines with a "No Waiting and No Loading at Any Time" restriction, a "School Keep Clear" and 20mph speed restriction to help with traffic flow, reduce speeds outside the school and prevent footway obstructions.

This will be implemented on an experimental basis to assess its effectiveness in reducing vehicle parking misuse where it would obstruct traffic, reduce visibility, or create hazards for drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists, and enhancing overall safety and compliance.

The experimental order will allow for monitoring and public feedback before any decision is made on whether to make the changes permanent.