

## **ID377 - Statement of Reasons**

The London Borough of Barking and Dagenham is proposing this Traffic Management Order amendment to ensure the safe, efficient, and fair use of the public highway and off-street parking areas. The amendments are necessary to improve road safety, maintain traffic flow, and ensure that parking provisions continue to meet the needs of residents, businesses, and other road users.

The introduction, relocation, and revocation of various parking bays—including Disabled Badge Holder bays, Resident Permit Holder bays, Payment Parking bays, and No Waiting restrictions—are intended to:

- Better reflect current parking demand within residential areas.
- Improve access for Blue Badge holders by relocating or reinstating accessible parking where required.
- Support effective traffic management by preventing obstructive or unsafe parking.
- Increase turnover of parking spaces near local businesses and community facilities through the use of paid-for and time-limited bays.
- Align parking controls with local development, changing land use, and highway improvements.
- Address concerns regarding congestion, access issues, and inconsiderate parking.
- Improve visibility and safety at junctions and roads through enhanced waiting restrictions.

The amendments to the Axe Street Service Road Area Car Park are proposed to regularise its layout, and clearly define where parking is and is not permitted. This will support enforcement, improve safety, and ensure efficient use of the space.

Overall, this amendment Order is proposed in the interests of traffic management, public safety, accessibility, and the equitable allocation of parking across the borough.