

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Officer Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Adrian Gray
Title:	The Hampshire (B3055 Sway Road Bridge, Brockenhurst) (Experimental One-Way Weight Restriction) Order 2022
Reference:	A1057

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the above-named experimental traffic order be implemented under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (RTRA), the effects of which will be for an experimental period of 18 months to prohibit vehicles exceeding 7.5 tonnes gross maximum weight from travelling north on the entire length of Junction bridge at Brockenhurst.

The Order provides that in pursuance of section 10(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the authorised officer may, if it appears essential in the interests of the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic on the highway or for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which any road affected by the Order runs, modify or suspend the Order or any of its provisions.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. Following localised concerns regarding traffic and parking behaviour around Brockenhurst Town Centre, a potential safety issue has been highlighted that large vehicle transporters servicing a dealership on B3055 Sway Road have been turning around in side roads in avoidance of a existing 7 tonne weight restriction. Therefore, Hampshire County Council proposes to revoke the existing weight restriction at Junction bridge and trial a new 7.5 tonne weight restriction for northbound vehicles only. This will allow these vehicle transporters to continue south on B3055 to join the A337 via Latchmoor Lane
- 2.2. The experimental order will be open for public consultation for a period of 6 months during 2022 and will be in effect for a maximum 18 months.
- 2.3. Due consideration has been given to RTRA 1984 sections 122(1) and 122(2) and any other relevant legislation. In this case the Decision Maker acting on behalf of the Local Authority considers this TRO expeditious, for the convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians).

2.4 The decision outlined in paragraph 2.3 (above) to exercise the functions of the Local Authority under RTRA 1984 sections 122(1) and 122(2) has been reached on the basis of what is reasonably practicable after due regard has been given to:

- the desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises
- the effect on the amenities of any locality affected and, specifically, the importance of regulation and restricting the use of roads by heavy commercial vehicles so as to preserve or improve the safety of the areas through which the roads run

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. None

4. Scheme Funding:

4.1. Capital Funded

5. Conflicts of interest:

5.1. None

6. Dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service:

6.1. None

7. Supporting information:

7.1. Local Member, Councillor K Mans supports the proposal

7.2. Police – have no objections

7.3. File and draft order

Approved by:

Adrian Gray

Date:

06/12/2021

Adrian Gray, Head of Highways (Traffic)

On behalf of the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment