NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL STATEMENT OF REASONS THE NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL SOUBERIE AVENUE, LETCHWORTH (RESTRICTION OF WATING) ORDER 2024

Proposals

The proposal is described in the attached Traffic Regulation Order (ref: MH/23/00052/TRO/SOUBERIE) and plan as well as the public notice of proposal.

North Hertfordshire District Council, having also considered the duty imposed on the Authority under Section 122 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, proposes to amend the existing parking restrictions in Souberie Avenue, Letchworth.

Supporting Information

North Hertfordshire District Council proposes to amend the existing parking restriction on both sides of the carriageway in Souberie Avenue, Letchworth.

Residents of Souberie Avenue, Letchworth have raised concerns over safety and manouverability from residents driveways due to the existing permit parking areas on both sides of the carriageway. A Traffic Regulation Order Amendment Pack was returned by signatories of Souberie Avenue, Letchworth and the consensus was to facilitate an extension to the No Waiting at any time restrictions already in place.

The current restrictions within Souberie Avenue, Letchworth are No Waiting at any time (Junction Protection) on both sides of the carriageway at the Meadow Way entrance and the South View entrance. Permit Parking Zone A parking is within the lengths of junction protection with Permit Holders Only between 10am and 11am and 4pm and 5pm Monday to Friday. This permit area is marked on the highway on both sides of the carriageway and meet at the centre line.

Due to Souberie Avenue being extremely narrow at the Meadow Way and South View entrances any vehicle parking legally within the marked bays does not allow a second vehicle to pass without mounting the footway. The parking areas widen toward the middle section of Souberie Avenue where passing a parked vehicle does not necessitate the need to mount the footway.

The proposal is to extend the No Waiting at any time restrictions to a point in the middle section of Souberie Avenue to where the highway widens sufficiently for vehicles to pass safely.

Initial informal consultation has been made to the residents affected and the returned response was 100% in favour of the proposed amendments.

The proposal is subject to consultation with Local and County Councilors representing the area, Hertfordshire County Council as Highway Authority, The local Police, Ambulance, the Fire and Rescue Services.

