

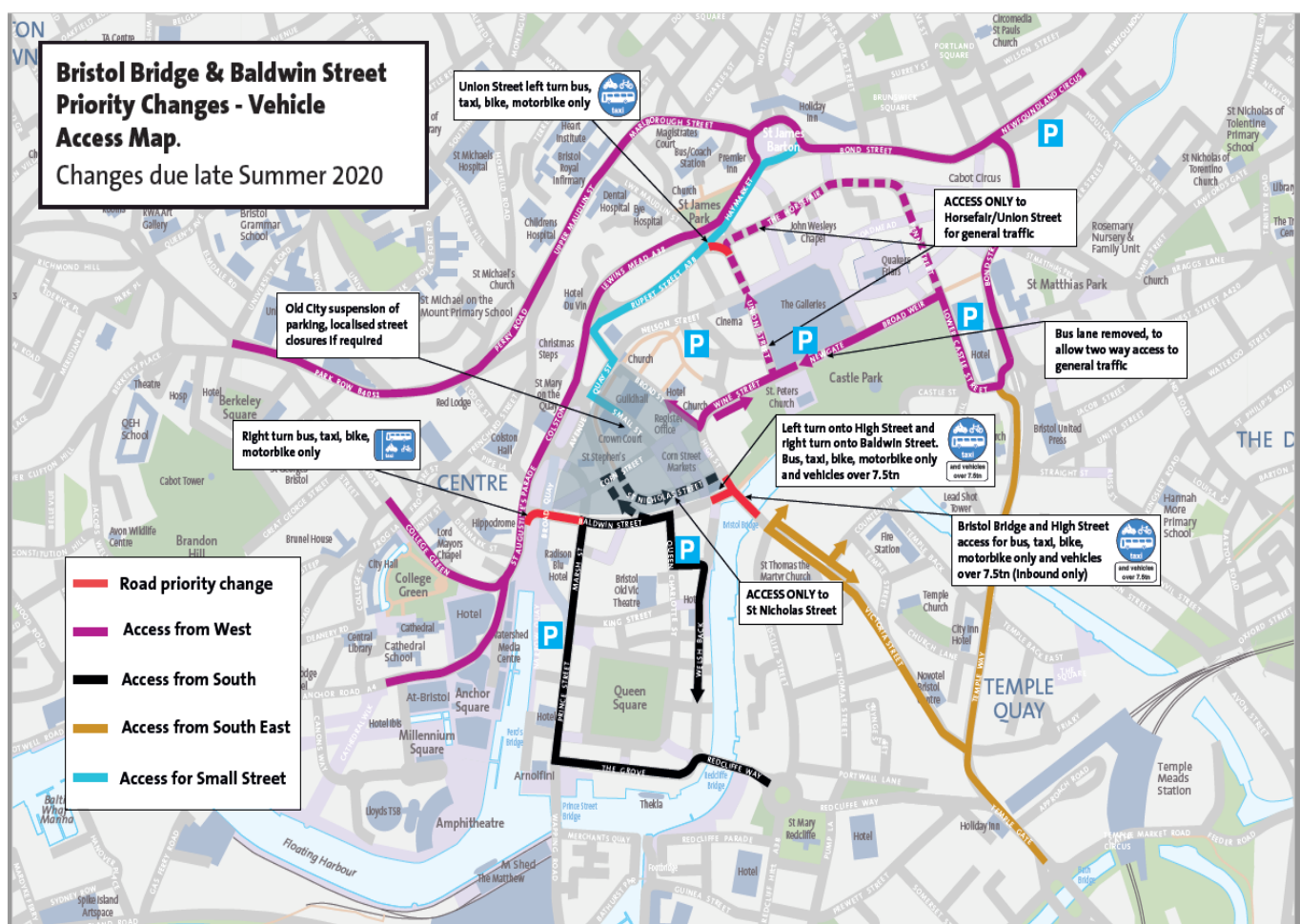
# Enforcement of the New Bus Lanes/Bus Gates at Baldwin Street, Bristol Bridge, High Street and Union Street

## Background:

We are making changes to how vehicles access some parts of the city centre. These changes are part of our Bristol Transport Strategy and aim to help meet air quality and 2030 climate goals. These measures are experimental and aim to create priority corridors for public transport, and a safer space for walking and cycling. Please visit [www.bristol.gov.uk/bristolbridgeinfo](http://www.bristol.gov.uk/bristolbridgeinfo) or if you do not have access to online facilities please write to: Transport Engagement Team, PO Box 3399, Bristol, BS1 9NE.

A range of highway modifications and improvements have been made to enable Public Transport and Active Travel to fulfil their potential on Bristol Bridge and associated traffic corridors.

New bus priority measures are particularly important for the efficiency and reliability of the Bristol Bus network. In order to minimise delays and improve reliability on the Bus Network it is necessary to prioritise bus travel via reallocation of road space that might otherwise be used by all traffic. All destinations within the area of impact will still be accessible to all traffic. Please see map below for details:



## Signage:

Each Bus Lane/Bus Gate is signed as required by Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 (TSRGD 2016). Examples below:



Advanced warning signs are also in place on all approach routes to this area that indicate the type of permitted vehicles and the routes that other traffic should use to avoid upcoming restrictions. Examples of these signs below:



## Hours of Operation:

All the bus lanes/bus gates operate at all times (24 hours a day, seven days a week).

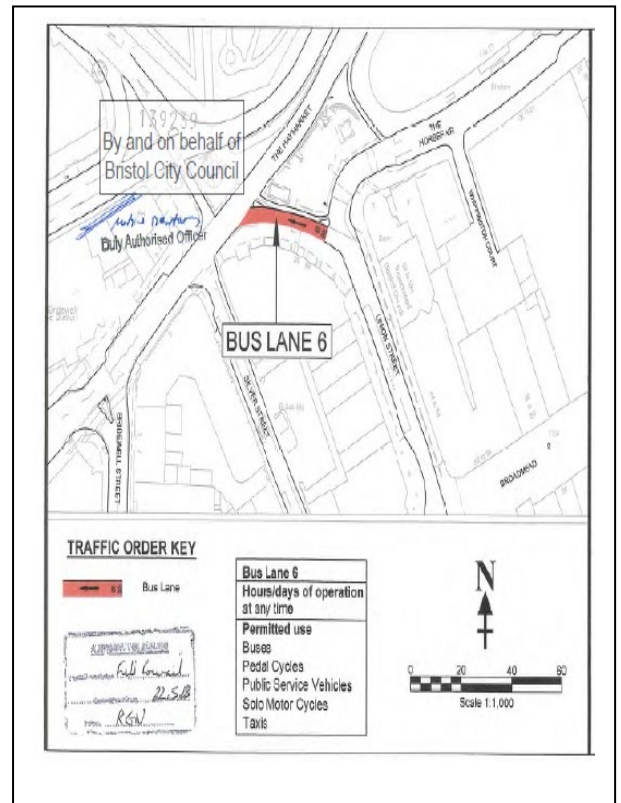
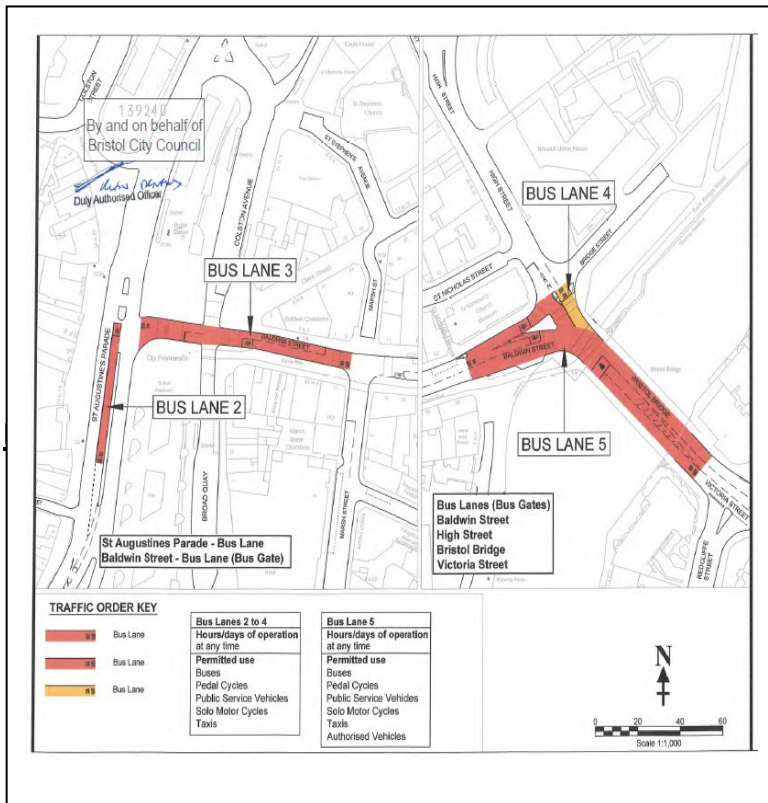
## Who can use the Bus Lanes/Bus Gates:

All the bus lanes/bus gates are available for use by buses, pedal cycles, public service vehicles, solo motor cycles and taxis, in common with the majority of bus lanes/bus gates currently operating in Bristol.

Authorisation for vehicles over 7.5 Tonnes Max Gross Weight has been added to some bus lanes/bus gates to maintain access for loading and servicing requirements to the vicinity of these bus lanes (note: loading/unloading will not be permitted within the bus lane itself). Where this is applicable the signs will include the additional wording “**authorised vehicles**”. Detailed information on these locations is shown on the maps below.

Vehicles being used by the ambulance, fire brigade and police services in the exercise of their official duties would be permitted to use all of the bus lanes.





## Summary:

It is Bristol City Council's conclusion that these bus lanes/bus gates are adequately signed and marked, to indicate what vehicles are permitted to use them. Furthermore, we consider that all locations and approach roads have adequate signage and information available to persons using the road, by the placing of signage that clearly indicates what the restrictions are and what vehicles are permitted to use them. This signage and markings is in accordance with the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 and Section 18 of The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.

Given the above, Bristol City Council considers that the issuing of Penalty Charge Notices, using approved devices, for any misuse of these bus lanes/bus gates, is fully justified in this instance..

**Pictures of all Enforcement locations as indicated above:**

**Bus Lane 3: Baldwin Street (Junction Broad Quay)**

**View of bus Gate signage at entrance to Baldwin Street (Junction Broad Quay) – bus gate:**



**View from Baldwin Street (Junction Broad Quay) enforcement camera:**





### **Bus Lane 3: Baldwin Street (Junction Marsh Street) Corner of Marsh St**

**View of bus Gate signage at entrance to Baldwin Street (Junction Marsh Street) – bus gate:**



**View from Baldwin Street (Junction Marsh Street) enforcement camera:**





## **Bus Lane 5: Baldwin Street (Junction High Street)**

**View of bus Gate signage on approach to Baldwin Street junction with High Street:**



**View from Baldwin Street (Junction High Street) enforcement camera:**



## **Bus Lane 4: High Street (Junction Baldwin Street)**

**View of Bus Gate signage at High Street junction with Baldwin Street:**



**View from High Street (Junction Baldwin Street) enforcement camera:**





## **Bus Lane 5: Victoria Street (Bristol Bridge)**

**View of Bus Gate Signage at Victoria Street as it joins Bristol Bridge:**



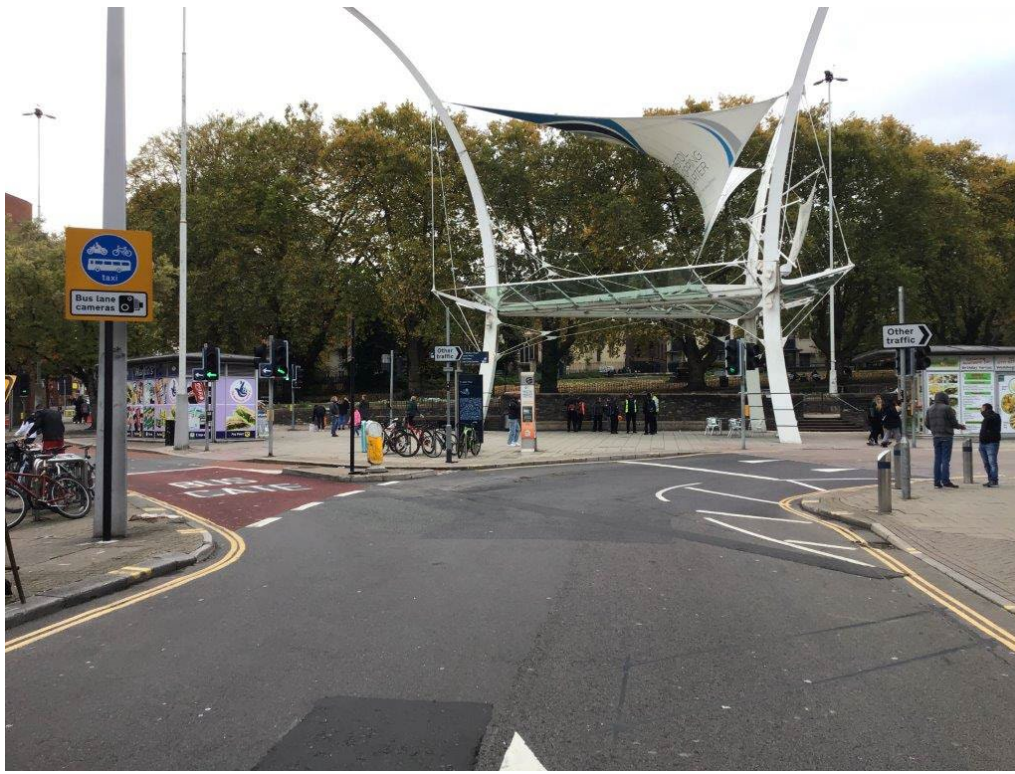
**View from Victoria Street (Bristol Bridge) enforcement camera:**





## **Bus Lane 6: Union Street (Junction The Haymarket)**

**View of Bus Gate signage Union Street (Junction The Haymarket):**



**View from Union Street junction The Haymarket enforcement camera:**

