

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Proposed waiting and stopping restrictions – Baynton Road – Southville ward, Barons Close and Wedlock Way - Bedminster ward

The Council proposes to deliver a package of highway works which are required to remove congestive parking in a built-up area.

The aim of the project is to introduce no waiting at any time and no loading/unloading in Barons Close and no loading/unloading in Wedlock Way. Barons Close and Wedlock Way are in the immediate vicinity of the Bristol Ashton Gate Stadium. The new parking restrictions are needed to address inconsiderate and obstructive parking/manoeuvring around the stadium which is causing issues for pedestrians and other road users. There is a very high increase in parked vehicles on match days and people's safety moving around the area is affected by this unsafe parking. This practice is causing exit blocking on the Winterstoke Road roundabout itself which then queues back to Brunel Way. Drivers with blue badges also frequently park for up to 3 hours on Wedlock Way which further compounds the issue as drivers are then forced to drop off in the running lane causing further queueing issues.

Opportunity will also be taken to correct on-site anomalies in Baynton Road to ensure enforceability with the proposed Traffic Regulation Order.

To enable the proposals to be introduced the Council will have to make a Traffic Regulation Order:

- for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising;
- for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).