

# **BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**

**Brighton & Hove (Marine Parade) (Various Restrictions) Experimental Order 2025 (ref: TRO-1-2025)**

## **STATEMENT OF REASONS**

The council received funding for its Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) from the Department for Transport (DfT) in summer 2022. One of the projects that received funding was a westbound shared bus and cycle lane on Marine Parade. The bus lane is intended to improve reliability given the variability in queueing at this location, especially during the peak season.

Cyclists will be able to use the bus lane westbound. Whilst not providing the two-way segregated cycle facility, it will provide some improvement until such time funding is available to provide a more comprehensive cycle facility.

Implementing the scheme by early 2025 will comply with funding requirements and have the added benefit of supporting the bus network during the construction period for Valley Gardens.

This is being done as an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order to trial the bus lane and allow for a consultation to be held for the first 6 months whilst the bus lane is operational.

### **Shared bus and cycle lane**

It is proposed to add a 222m shared westbound bus and cycle lane on Marine Parade between its junctions with Rock Place and Broad Street. The reason for these changes is to provide space for the westbound bus and cycle lane without the need to reduce lane capacity.

### **Parking**

It is proposed to remove 13 Paid bays on the south side of Marine Parade, east of its junction with Madeira Place. The reason for these changes is to provide space for the westbound bus and cycle lane without the need to reduce lane capacity.

### **Loading and Taxi Bay**

The following amendments to the current layout on Marine Parade are proposed. The reason for these changes is to utilise available space more effectively, surveys have shown taxis predominantly use these bays at night and loading takes place during the day.



The proposed changes are as follows:

- Introduction of a new 24.6m shared loading and taxi bay on Marine Parade east from its junction with Charles Street. Loading will operate 6am-6pm and 'No waiting, except taxis 6pm-6am'. Loading will be carried out during the day and taxis will be able to use at night.
- Removal of the taxi bay on Marine Parade west of its junction with Madeira Place.
- Removal of the loading bay on Marine Parade east of its junction with Broad Street.

### **Loading Ban**

Introduction of 'No Loading at any time' on the south side of Marine Parade from the junction with Lower Rock Gardens spanning the entire length of the proposed bus lane to prevent loading in the bus lane.

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