KIRKLEES COUNCIL EXPERIMENTAL (TRAFFIC REGULATION) (NO. 01) ORDER 2024 CORPORATION STREET, DEWSBURY

Statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order

The Dewsbury Movement and Accessibility Framework (MAF) aims to define a future transport network to 2038 that supports growth of the town centre economy, is safe, attractive, clean, inclusive and convenient, and promotes a range of transport modes to ensure the private car is not the first choice.

This experimental traffic regulation order will be used to trial a priority scheme from the MAF. The ETRO will run for up to 18 months, during which time the impacts of the trial will be monitored and assessed before it is decided whether to make the scheme permanent.

The trial involves introducing a banned left turn out of Corporation Street onto Northgate to prevent 'rat-running' through the town centre, and switching off the traffic lights at the junction of Corporation Street, Northgate and Bond Street to form a priority give way junction.

If the ETRO is made permanent at a later date, the traffic lights will be removed to declutter the junction, the footways will be widened around the junction and a zebra crossing installed on Northgate to create better crossing opportunities and provide improved connectivity for pedestrians between the train station and the town centre following footway improvement work on Bond Street.