The Essex County Council (Harlow District) (Prohibition of Waiting and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places) Civil Enforcement Area) (Amendment No. 19) Order 20**

Statement of Reasons

Paringdon Road is a Priority 2 route (which performs an essential traffic management distributary function between the local network and Priority One County Routes. They will be accessed by a number of different types of user including local buses. Therefore, motorised vehicular traffic will generally take precedence over the other modes on these routes). This route is within a highly populated area of Harlow.

There has been a request by the Highways Liaison Officer, on behalf of Longwood Academy School Crossing Patrol to review the current pedestrian guardrail and the current School Keep Clear and Parking restrictions on Paringdon Road.

The proposed restriction would be introduced in the carriageway opposite, Longwood Primary Academy and Nursery School, along with alterations to the current restrictions that run alongside the carriageway outside the school. This proposal is being brought forward because the current restrictions are not significant enough to deter drivers from parking on the carriageway opposite the school and this has been considered a road safety issue and dangerous for all who use the area around the school.

As part of this scheme, it has been proposed to install Double Red Lines for approximately 15 metres on either side of Paringdon Road (from the mini roundabout travelling east), to remove the existing School Keep Clear marking on the north side of the carriageway, and replace both sides with Single Red Lines. Associated signage will accompany the restrictions.

The proposals are to improve safety measures along the designated part of the road as part of this scheme and deter drivers from parking opposite the school and causing a hazard. In addition, to improve visibility along the road for vehicles and all those using the school crossing patrol area

The Essex School Patrol Team along with County Councillor, Eddie Johnson, are in support of the proposed added restrictions.