

Levelling Up East Lancashire Project **Brierfield – Safer, Healthier, Greener Streets**

STATEMENT OF REASONS

These proposals form part of the Levelling Up East Lancashire project. They aim to deliver improvements in local neighbourhoods through:

- Improving local streets with better connections through new or improved crossing facilities and pathways.
- Enhancing streets and public spaces with new planting and seating.
- Creating safer street environments that makes it easier for people to walk, cycle or wheel to local places.
- Improving facilities at local parks and providing new public green spaces.
- Improving road safety by discouraging pavement parking at junctions,
- Improving sight lines for people trying to cross the road and reducing traffic speeds.

The proposals will work together to create a safer environment for pedestrians, cyclists, and vulnerable users, whilst also improving public realm in the area. The intention of the scheme is twofold, to:

- Foster a sense of pride in local communities by creating safer, greener neighbourhoods and revitalised public realm.
- Increase active travel uptake to improve health and wellbeing and reduce health inequalities.

These proposals include the following:

- One Way system to improve the flow of traffic and direct local traffic via a safer means of reaching main arterial roads
- No left turn and no right turn restrictions to improve and direct the flow of traffic around the proposed one-way system in order to reach the main arterial roads
- Introduction of a new crossing point on Halifax Road for pedestrians, to facilitate their safe crossing of the road and minimise conflict with motor vehicles.
- Removal and reinstatement of the existing signalised pedestrian crossing on Burnley Road at a reduced length to facilitate the construction of two new speed humps. The revised arrangement will enhance pedestrian safety by improving crossing conditions and reducing the potential for conflict with vehicular traffic.
- Speed humps and raised junction tables to reduce vehicle speeds and improve road safety particularly for pedestrians and vulnerable road users.
- No Waiting at Any Time restrictions to prevent obstructive parking, maintain clear visibility at junctions and ensure safe and efficient movement of vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians.
- Introduction of a signed only Restricted Parking Zone adjacent to Pendle Primary School, providing No Waiting at Any Time restrictions in addition to the existing School Keep Clear restrictions, which will remain marked on site, to help maintain clear and safe access around the school.

- Amendments to existing No Waiting At Any Time and No Waiting 8am – 6pm restrictions to facilitate the proposed changes to the road layout and match the existing restrictions marked on site, allowing for effective enforcement

REASONS UNDER Section 1 of the RTRA

- (a) 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
- (c) for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians)

