Statement of Reasons

Union Road and Frederick Street Oswaldtwistle:

Bus Stops:

The purpose of this proposal is to remove the Bus Stop Clearway on Union Road, that is located 3.7 metres east of Havelock Street, to allow for a new section of Limited Waiting parking.

This proposal will relocate the westbound Bus Stop Clearway on Union Road to a more appropriate location outside of Oswaldtwistle library in order to improve bus priority and reduce delays to services caused by parked vehicles.

This proposal removes the existing Bus Stop Clearway outside number 187-189 Union Road, which is no longer used or marked on site. The restriction at this location will then revert back to the existing No Waiting Monday to Saturday 8am to 6pm, allowing parking after the hours of 6pm and all day Sunday.

Parking restrictions:

The purpose of the proposal is to remove the Limited Waiting Bay on Union Road situated 24 metres south west of Harvey Street and introduce No Waiting at Any Time restrictions. The introduction of the double yellow lines will prohibit parking within too close a proximity of the mini roundabout at the junction with Harvey Street, ensuring the safe passage of public transport and increasing visibility and improving sightlines for all road users.

This proposal will introduce a new extent of Limited Waiting 30 minutes, no return within 30 minutes, east of the junction with Havelock Street at the location of the removed bus stop clearway. The purpose of this proposal is to ensure there is sufficient short-term parking for vehicles of road users seeking to use the local businesses.

The proposed No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on Union Road situated south west of Stone Bridge Lane are intended to prohibit vehicles from parking in an obstructive manner in and around the existing pedestrian crossing and encourage use of the proposed Limited Waiting bay.

This proposal seeks to introduce No Waiting at Any Time restrictions from St Pauls Primary School to Colliers Street and around the junction of Frederick Street. The proposed parking restrictions are to protect sight lines and reduce the potential for accidents, improve general road safety for residents, through traffic as well as parents and children using St Pauls Primary School.

The proposal also seeks to amend the Traffic Regulation Order to match the existing road markings already historically in-situ, 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)
- f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs