

Introduction of Bus Stop Clearway Markings

STATEMENT OF REASONS

This proposal is to support the implementation of accessibility improvements at bus stops within the East Lancashire area. These improvements form part of a wider initiative to provide safe and suitable boarding and alighting facilities for all passengers, including wheelchair users, pushchair users, and individuals with restricted mobility who rely on public transport services.

The introduction and alteration of Bus Stop Clearway markings are necessary to ensure that stopping areas remain free of parked vehicles. Vehicles parking within or adjacent to bus stops can obstruct bus manoeuvring space and limit forward visibility, creating additional difficulties for drivers and for visually impaired passengers. The proposed clearways will therefore provide unobstructed access for buses and support safe and efficient passenger movement.

Where required, additional infrastructure such as bus shelters and raised boarding platforms will be installed to enhance safety, comfort, and accessibility at the stops.

Bus Stop Clearways

**WOOD TOP, Andrew Avenue (by) Stop ID 2500LAA07196; and
WOOD TOP, Andrew Avenue (opp) Stop ID 2500LAA07195**

This proposal will:

- a) Upgrade the existing bus stop to improve facilities for all bus users travelling to and from this location.
- b) Remove the existing bus stop and introduce a new Bus Stop Clearway in a more suitable location enabling improved alignment and safer operation.

The implementation of the Bus Stop Clearway will ensure that appropriate enforcement measures can be undertaken, thereby improving compliance and delivering benefits for all road users, including pedestrians.