

Telford and Wrekin Council (Various Roads, Chetwynd Aston and Woodcote) (7.5 Tonnes Restricted Access Weight Restriction) Traffic Regulation Order 2021

Statement of Reasons

Proposals

It is proposed to introduce a 7.5t weight limit restriction along various roads in the Church Aston and Lilleshall Ward, including Pave Lane and Pitchcroft Lane.

It is considered that use of these routes by heavy goods vehicles is unsuitable having regard to the existing character of the routes or adjoining property and that limiting heavy goods vehicles using these routes will improve the amenities through which the roads run.

There is also a narrow bridge along Pitchcroft Lane which is regularly damaged due to unsuitable vehicles unable to safely pass across or turn around. There are alternative routes suitable for these larger vehicles, such as the A41. However, there are businesses which rely on heavy goods vehicles being able to gain access to their premises by/from these roads. It has therefore been decided to grant an exception to the restriction and permit the use of these roads by heavy goods vehicles for access to premises only.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

The specific grounds which the Council are using for implementation of the proposed 7.5t weight limit restriction above are the following sections of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

- (a) for preventing damage to the road or to any building on or near the road, or
- (b) for preventing the use of the road by vehicular traffic of a kind which, or its use by vehicular traffic in a manner which, is unsuitable having regard to the existing character of the road or adjoining property, or
- (c) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

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