

# **Telford & Wrekin Council (Doseley Area, Telford) (Environmental Weight Limit 7.5 Tonnes – Accept for Access) Traffic Regulation Order 2023**

## **Statement of Reasons**

### **Proposals**

After a review of the existing environmental weight limit on Holly Road, Southall and St Luke's Road within the Doseley area. It is proposed amend and introduce additional 7.5t weight limit restriction (Except for Access) along various roads within the Doseley Area.

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 a perception that some of the residential roads are being used by commercial vehicles as a rat run between main distributor roads. There are alternative routes suitable for these larger vehicles, such as the Horsehay Bypass and the A4169. 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.

### **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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