The Essex County Council (Uttlesford District) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement Area) (Amendment No.28) Order 202*

Statement Of Reasons

The introduction of a new junction/access, serving a new residential development and car park, is sited along Braintree Road, B1417, Felsted, which is a fairly busy priority route (PR2) accessing the schools along Braintree Road and residential areas. Braintree Road connects residential and school zones, with nearby redevelopment activities.

This development includes improvements to an existing bus stop including the provision of an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing of the new development junction/access. The benefits for the proposed change and introduction of the double yellow lines will improve road safety as the visibility splays will stay unobstructed and collisions will be avoided this way especially in the vicinity of schools. These measures will also improve traffic flows and create a safer environment/footway for pedestrians.

Following a site assessment, the presence of continuous on-street parking was identified as a potential risk to pedestrian safety particularly around the school and bus stops. The restrictions aim to ensure safer pedestrian access and maintain unobstructed visibility for drivers.

The implementation of "No Waiting at Any Time" restrictions is expected to deliver several key benefits:

- Enhanced Road Safety: By reducing parked vehicles along Braintree Road, visibility will improve for both drivers and pedestrians, particularly near the bus stop, the new access/junction and pedestrian crossings.
- Improved Traffic Flow: The restrictions will allow smoother passage of vehicles, preventing congestion caused by on-street parking.
- Increased Pedestrian Accessibility: The proposal will create a safer environment for pedestrians accessing the bus stop and crossing areas, supporting active transport and public transit use.

These changes align with Essex County Council's commitment to promoting safe and efficient transport solutions within local communities.