

**The Essex County Council (Braintree District) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement Area) (Amendment No.27) Order 202\***

**Statement Of Reasons**

**Stoneham Street (TRAF/8524)**

The current parking restrictions in this area are being amended to improve the forward visibility of traffic travelling in either direction along Stoneham Street. Currently vehicles are unable to see around the parked cars on the western side of the road and are encountering vehicles coming in the opposite direction.

Following a site assessment, the presence of continuous on-street parking was identified as a potential risk to the safety of all users. 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 some key benefits:

- **Enhanced Road Safety:** By reducing parked vehicles along Stoneham Street, visibility will improve for both drivers and pedestrians, particularly near the bus stop and pedestrian crossings.
- **Improved Traffic Flow:** The restrictions will allow smoother passage of vehicles, preventing congestion caused by on-street parking.

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

These works have been identified by the Braintree Local Highways Panel further to concerns raised about crossing safety. Further information about the Highways Panel and the way they operate can be found here:

<https://www.essexhighways.org/Transport-and-Roads/Highway-Schemes-and-Developments/Local-Highway-Panels.aspx>

**East Street (TRAF/8694)**

A request has been received from the County Member to look at the possibility of installing dropped kerbs along East Street, Coggeshall to help pedestrians cross the road. There are residential areas and a recreation ground on the northern side of East Street and pedestrians, including elderly and small children, The dropped Kerbs will enhance Road Safety by reducing parked vehicles along East Street. visibility will improve for both drivers and pedestrians, particularly when crossing the road to use the Co-Op, which is on the southern side, currently crossing between parked cars.

The proposals provide a safe crossing point suitable for all users, protected by a single yellow line to prevent parking and to enhance the visibility of the crossing point. The presence of continuous on-street parking was identified as a potential

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This proposal was previously proposed under TRAF/7970.