

**The Essex County Council (Colchester City) (Prohibition of Waiting,  
Loading and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places)  
(Civil Enforcement Area) (Amendment No.66) Order 202\***  
**Pedestrian Crossings – Boxted Road, Safrano Avenue, and  
Whitmore Drive, Myland, Colchester**

**STATEMENT OF REASONS**

The Site of the proposal, which is a new Countryside Development of 201 dwellings under Planning Application No. 210648, is south of the A12 and adjacent to the current developed Former Severalls Hospital site on its eastern side, and the Chesterwell Development on its western side. This location has seen a recently completed footway/cycleway scheme that runs from United Way in the north to the junction of the Northern Approach Road in the south.

Boxted Road is a Priority 2 Route (PR2), forming part of a bus route. There is an existing bus stop on Boxted Road (to the south of Whitmore Drive), which, because of its location and proximity to the proposed pedestrian crossing, could cause collisions. Therefore, the proposal includes relocation of an existing Bus Stop on Boxted Road (to the south of Whitmore Drive), and the implementation of another Bus Stop on Boxted Road (to the north of Whitmore Drive).

Signalised pedestrian crossings are proposed to be installed on Boxted Road (to the north of Whitmore Drive), and on Safrano Avenue. Toucan Crossings are proposed to be installed on Whitmore Drive, and Boxted Road (to the south of Whitmore Drive) to provide cycle route continuity and to avoid ambiguity and confusion/conflict between pedestrian and cyclist groups. It is hoped that the new crossings will provide a safer crossing point at these locations, particularly for vulnerable road users.

As part of the new Safrano Avenue and Whitmore Drive development scheme, that included a clearway order on Safrano Avenue within the newly constructed traffic signal junction, the construction work for the scheme was completed and clearway signs were installed. The new starting point for the restriction (On Safrano Avenue) will ensure drivers have an unimpeded approach to the new traffic signal junction, allowing them to manoeuvre their vehicle to the correct lane to successfully navigate the new junction layout. The proposal for the 24hr Clearway is retrospective in order for the restriction to become enforceable by way of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO). The TRO will also include a retrospective Order for the existing clearway signs on Whitmore Drive.

The existing Clearway Restriction on Boxted Road is being extended to ensure flow and visibility of all traffic are available for all road users, including cyclists, and pedestrians within the vicinity of the new junction layout with Safrano Avenue.

The new junction includes cycle advance stopping lines and lanes to provide safer manoeuvrability for cyclists in all directions and also, there is an existing shared-use cycle link present on the eastern side of Boxted Road.

The scheme and all associated costs are being funded solely by the developer.