The Essex County Council (A134 Northern Approach Road junction with Mill Road, Myland) (Prohibition of U-Turn) Order 202*

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Since the construction of the Colchester Rapid Transit System (RTS) - Section A scheme it has been identified that a number of vehicles have been making U-turn manoeuvres when travelling southeast bound through the A134 Northern Approach Road/Mill Road junction from the right turning lane.

The only intended movement from this right turning lane is a turn into Mill Road west. As such, a pedestrian/cycle safe to cross phase operates across the A134 northbound northern arm of the junction. This operating phase conflicts with any U-turning vehicle and risks conflict between vehicles and pedestrians during this phase.

To address this issue, 'No U-Turn' (Diagram 614) signs and traffic regulation order are proposed on highway safety grounds to remove the conflict, for the junction of the A134 Northern Approach Road and Mill Road.

The 'No U-Turn' signs and supporting traffic regulation order will enhance driver awareness of the banned and unsafe manoeuvre and discourage vehicles from making a U-Turn at the junction of the A134 Northern Approach Road and Mill Road.