

**The Essex County Council (Harlow District) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement Area)
(Amendment No.79) Order 202***

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Brookside is a local residential road in the Great Parndon area of Harlow, Essex. It mainly serves the surrounding housing area and provides access to nearby amenities. The road is closely linked with Katherines Primary School, which sits directly on Brookside. Local amenities include small shops and services. Brookside is well connected by public transport, with several bus stops along the road served by routes including the 1 and the 15A. The nearest rail link is Harlow Town station, approximately three kilometres from the site.

During 2023, Katherines Primary School was identified to contain Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC), which required the original building to be demolished. A new school building has since been constructed within the same site, but in a different position to the original building. As a result, a new pedestrian entrance has been created further east of the former access point, but the existing waiting restrictions were not changed to suit the new entrance. The new entrance to the school is not currently protected by School Keep Clear markings, and the school has requested these be installed to deter parking directly outside of the entrance and to improve visibility for all. The original entrance will remain in use as vehicular access; therefore, the existing School Keep Clear markings on either side of it will be removed (revoked) and replaced with a time limited No Stopping Mon - Fri 8am - 4pm restriction (Single red line) to operate during school hours. In addition, to provide junction protection and deter obstructive parking, a No Stopping at Any Time restriction (Double red lines) is proposed at the junction opposite the new entrance to manage displaced parking and maintain traffic movement in the vicinity.

The scheme is being funded through the Harlow Local Highway Panel and is supported by its members. 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>