The Essex County Council (Maldon District) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement Area)

(Amendment No.20) Order 202*.

The Essex County Council (Various Roads, Langford, Great Totham, and Heybridge) (Combined Speed Limit) Order 202*.

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Broad Street Green Road (the B1022), is the main link road connecting Great Totham to Heybridge and a PR1 route, this area of the road is currently a 40mph speed limit and as this particular stretch of Broad Street Green will no longer be the priority route, and serving a limited number of existing properties, that has no recorded incidents the Cul du Sac itself will be 20mph, This proposal is in line with the Essex Speed Management Strategy.

Maypole Road has dramatically changed in alignment and priority of traffic with a new staggered junction. It is a Class III Road and a PR2 route and is a key link road connecting Wickham Bishops to Heybridge, there have been no incidents on this road. This road will now create a main link road through a new large development containing a mix of dwellings, school and local shops and connect to the new roundabout on Broad Street Green. The reason for the implementation of this waiting restriction is to ensure the new link road is kept clear from parked traffic, as this will become a bus route. In accordance with the Essex Design Guide, bus routes should keep clear of any parked traffic. This restriction will increase the road safety for all users, improve the local environment for vulnerable road users and improve visibility and manoeuvrability.

Due to the increase of residential frontages and other local services fronting this link road, the proposed 40mph speed limit is to deter higher vehicle speeds, enabling better access/ egress to the new development. The proposal is in line with the Essex Speed Management Strategy.

Jubilee Way will create a new relief road between Langford Road and Broad Street Green. In accordance with a letter from the Former Cabinet Member for Highways and Transportation there has been a recommendation that the proposed relief road has a 50mph speed limit to match the speed limits on other relief roads around Maldon. The proposal is in line with the Essex Speed Management Strategy.

These restrictions have been proposed along the new relief road in order to prevent vehicles parking in locations which could then limit traffic flow and visibility. It is believed that without restrictions this would be a likely occurrence due to the proximity of the large residential development. These restrictions will also facilitate future bus routes and increase the road safety for all users, improve the local environment for vulnerable road users.

On Bluebell Avenue and the remaining northern section of Maypole Road The 40mph speed limit will assist drivers heading towards the new staggered junction to ease their speed from 40mph to 30mph rather than a sudden change from National to 30mph. This will ensure safe entry and improvement to the traffic behaviour from Heybridge to Wickham Bishops. This proposal is in line with the Essex Speed Management Strategy.