

The Essex County Council (Borough of Colchester) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement Area) (Amendment No.25) Order 20**

Statement of Reasons

Installation of a Disabled Parking Bay:

Essex County Council is aware that some Essex residents require a Disabled Parking Bay marked on the Highway outside of their home in order to help reduce the distance they need to travel between their home and their vehicle.

Essex County Council will consider providing such bays for residents with a valid Blue Badge and a vehicle registered to the property. The bays proposed in this order are required for residents who meet this criterion.

Although Disabled Parking Bays are installed for specific individuals, any Badge Holder may benefit from them.

Removal of a Disabled Parking Bay:

Disabled Parking Bays are installed in primarily residential areas for specific individuals; however any Badge Holder may benefit from them. Once we have been notified that the original applicant no longer needs the Disabled Parking Bay, redundant bays are removed in order to return the space to the Highway, enabling any vehicle to park there, or the previous permit parking is otherwise reinstated to correspond with the rest of the road.

Upgrade of Advisory Disabled Parking Bay:

In the first instance, Essex County Council will provide the applicant with an advisory Disabled Parking Bay. If the bay is continually being used by other road users without showing a valid Blue Badge then the Council will consider making a Traffic Regulation Order to make the restriction legally enforceable, to prevent unauthorised parking.