

The Essex County Council (Various Roads, Great Dunmow)(7.5T Environmental Weight Restriction) Order 20**

Statement of Reasons

It is proposed to introduce an environmental 7.5t weight limit covering the town of Great Dunmow. Since the building of the A120 in 2004 and the more recent opening of the Woodside Way link road between the A1256 (former A120) and B184 there has been a local desire to deter large vehicles travelling through Great Dunmow.

Many of the large vehicles currently passing through Great Dunmow are en-route to other destinations such as Thaxted and Saffron Walden. There are several more suitable alternative routes for these vehicles such as the A120, B1256 and Woodside Way, all of which bypass the need to enter Great Dunmow town centre.

The town centre has heavy pedestrian movements and is a concentration of local shops, businesses, dentists, doctors and other community meeting places. Removing large vehicles from this area will enhance the local community's environment and town centre vibrance.

No delivery vehicles will be prohibited from entering the town centre to service local shops and businesses.