

CARRS LANE (Ring Farm), Cudworth, Barnsley

Proposed waiting restrictions.

Statement of Reasons

The South Yorkshire Police Mounted Section (SYPMS) is based at Ring Farm, Carrs Lane, Cudworth and have reported vehicle access/egress issues from their premises.

Ring Farm is accessed directly off a narrow section of Carrs Lane with no current waiting restrictions or footways. This section of Carrs Lane is non-residential and continues south into the countryside to access a water treatment works and farm. Carrs Lane eventually 'dead-ends' towards Lund Lane, Lundwood.

The issues reported are that the approach to Ring Farm, and the entrance gates, are frequently obstructed by members of the public parking vehicles along Carrs Lane on one side (either side) of the road. Whilst parking is not controlled or prohibited, drivers leave insufficient road width to allow larger vehicles to pass.

The frequency of the obstructions has increased since a nearby Bar and Café opened further south along Carrs Lane on Burton Abbey Farm; the access to which is an uneven gravel single-track lane.

Due to the size of the Mounted Section operational vehicles, there has often been insufficient road space to access or egress from the entrance gates. This has hindered and prevented the operational effectiveness of Police Mounted Section and the site, which is operational 24hrs a day, 7 days a week.

To address the situation, it is proposed to introduce waiting restrictions to parts of Carrs Lane on the approach to Ring Farm.

The proposal is regarded as the best and most appropriate option to improve access/egress from the operational Police site, and by extension, to the other premises further south along Carrs Lane.

The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 provides the appropriate powers for the Council to make the proposed TRO and the Council is satisfied it is expedient to make the Order for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road and for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising, and for facilitating the passage of traffic on the road.

In determining the extents of the proposed restrictions, the Council has had due regard to the duty imposed on it to exercise the functions conferred on it by the Act to secure the expeditious, convenient, and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway (Section 122 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984) and is satisfied the traffic restrictions proposed will achieve those objectives.

Head of Legal