Servicing Route between The Seam and County Way, to the rear of The Courthouse Pub, Barnsley

Proposed access restrictions

Statement of Reasons

Redevelopment of The Seam is part of Barnsley Digital Campus. Planning approval for the redevelopment was granted on 8th April 2025. A planning condition has been applied to the development in relation to measures to restrict vehicular access to County Way via the servicing route.

This planning condition requires that "details of measures to permanently restrict the vehicular access to County Way via the servicing route shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development. Once agreed, the details shall be implemented prior to the development being brought into use and permanently retained thereafter. Reason: In the interests of highway safety and in accordance with Local Plan Policy T4: New development and Transport Safety."

To address the condition, it is proposed to introduce 'No access at any time except for loading' restrictions to the servicing route. These restrictions will connect to the hostile vehicle mitigation (HVM) measures which will be introduced as part of the redevelopment of The Seam.

The proposals are regarded as the best and most appropriate option to restrict traffic flow and access issues by preventing vehicular movements, except for permitted loading.

The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 provides the appropriate powers for the Council to make the proposed Traffic Regulation Order (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 prohibiting 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 so as 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.

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