

STATEMENT OF REASONS

(A brief statement of the general nature and effect of the Order)

MILTON KEYNES CITY

VARIOUS TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO PARKING ARRANGEMENTS IN BLETCHLEY 2026

Milton Keynes City Council as the Local Highway Authority proposes to make the following four Traffic Regulation Orders, under Sections 1(1) and 2(1) to (3), 4(2) and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

- 1) **Milton Keynes City Council (Various Roads, Central Bletchley) (One-Way Traffic) Order 2026**
- 2) **Milton Keynes City Council (Queensway, Bletchley) (Prohibition of Entry) Order 2026**
- 3) **Milton Keynes City Council (Brooklands Road, Bletchley) (Prohibition of Driving) Order 2026**
- 4) **Milton Keynes City Council (Various Roads, Bletchley) (Prohibition of Waiting and Loading and Various Restricted Parking Places) Order 2026**

The general effect of the proposed Order will be:

- to introduce a one-way traffic system on Albert Street between Cawkwell Way and Queensway;
- to introduce a one-way traffic system on Queensway between Albert Street and Princes Way;
- to reverse the one-way traffic system on Bedford Road;
- to introduce a prohibition of driving restriction on Brooklands Road at its junction with Queensway;
- to introducing a 1-hour limited waiting restriction on Queensway, Oxford Road, Bedford Road and Cambridge Street;
- to increase the number of disabled parking spaces on Queensway from five (5) to thirteen (13).

The proposed restrictions come as a result of the regeneration to Queensway as part of the New Towns Deal project for 2026.

The proposed alterations aims to manage traffic and parking availability and its usage to the benefit of local businesses and their customers.

The Councils statutory reasons for proposing the above parking alterations are as follows: -

- 1) Improving access for local businesses and their customers.**
- 2) Preserving or improving the amenities of the area.**
- 3) To maintain a safe environment throughout the road, particularly to encourage and facilitate vehicular movements along those parts of the road**

The Council has given consideration to its duty under section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians).

The Council will continue to monitor the way in which highway facilities are used and address any issues that come to its notice and following meaningful consultation with all stakeholders do what it considers necessary to facilitate the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

