

Public Notice

ACTIVE TRAVEL SCHEME IN COLCHESTER CITY CENTRE

Proposed Conversion of Footway & Carriageway to a Cycle Track, on Head Street, Colchester

The Essex County Council (Head Street, Colchester) (One Way) Order 20**

The Essex County Council (Colchester City) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement Area) (Amendment No.39) Order 20**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Essex County Council proposes to construct a 'cycle track' on the highway under highway improvement powers given by section 65 and 66 of the Highways Act 1980 and all other enabling powers:

The effect of the proposed works: To construct a 'cycle track' on the existing footway and carriageway, on the following length of road in Colchester city centre:

Location	Direction
Head Street - EAST SIDE: From the southern extended kerbline of High Street southwards for a distance of 212 metres	Two-Way (northbound with flow and southbound contraflow)

The 'cycle track' will have an overall width up to 3.5 metres and the 212-metre length will consist of various sections, including:

- (1) 'Two-way mandatory cycle lanes' in the carriageway with separation strip from the traffic lanes; width up to 3.5 metres.
- (2) 'Two way advisory cycle lanes' in the carriageway at junctions; width up to 2.5 metres.
- (3) 'Two-way cycleway': northbound lane to be created in carriageway and raised to existing footway level. Existing footway to be converted to a southbound lane. Each lane will be up to 1.4 metres wide.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Essex County Council intends to make an Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), and Parts III and IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

The effect of the order: To provide an exemption for pedal cycles to the existing one-way order on the following length of road in Colchester city centre:

Road	Permitted Direction of Travel
Head Street	From South to North and From North to South

'The Borough of Colchester (Various Streets) (One-Way) Order 1963' will be varied (altered) insofar as it affects Head Street. The other restrictions contained in The Borough of Colchester (Various Streets) (One-Way) Order 1963 will remain in force by virtue of said order.



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under Section 23 of The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the Essex County Council proposes the following alterations to Traffic Signal Junctions and Crossing Points, to accommodate cycle lanes / cycleway and movements:

The effect of the alterations within Colchester city centre:

A. To alter the three existing Traffic Signal Junctions / Crossing Points at the junction of North Hill, High Street and Head Street as follows:

Road	Alteration(s)
North Hill - WEST SIDE	Install an additional low-level signals for southbound cyclists
High Street	The width of the crossing will be increased by 0.5 metres and the centre line of the crossing relocated 0.4 metres east of its existing point
Head Street	(i) The width of the crossing will be increased by 0.5 metres and the centre line of the crossing relocated 0.5 metres south of its existing point. (ii) Additional low-level signal for northbound cyclists will be installed.

B. To alter the existing Traffic Signals and Crossing Point on Head Street at its junction with Culver Street and Church Street as follows:

Road	Alteration(s)
Head Street - EAST SIDE (Adjacent to the Halifax Bldg.)	Install two additional cycle signal heads, one in the existing carriageway to control northbound cyclists and the other on the footway to control southbound cyclists. To allow pedestrians to cross.

C. To alter the three existing sets of Traffic Signals Junctions / Crossing Points at the junction of Crouch Street, Headgate, Head Street, and St John's Street as follows:

Road	Alteration(s)
Crouch Street – NORTH SIDE	Install additional low-level signals for cyclists including no right turn sign
Headgate – EAST SIDE	Install additional low-level signals for cyclists
Head Street – EAST SIDE	Install additional low-level signals for cyclists
St John's Street – SOUTH SIDE	Install additional low-level signals for cyclists including no left turn sign

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Essex County Council proposes to make the following Order under Sections 1(1), 2 (1) to (3), 4(1), 4(2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49, 53 and Parts III and IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

The effect of the order within Colchester city centre:

A) To revoke the existing parking restrictions on Head Street, EAST SIDE from a point 8 metres south of the southern extended kerbline of High Street, southwards to the northern extended kerbline of Sir Isaacs Walk to implement amended order restrictions on the following lengths of road.



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1) To implement 'No Loading At Any Time' and 'No Waiting At Any Time':

Road	Description
Head Street	EAST SIDE: (i) From its junction with northern extended kerbline of Culver Street West northwards for 11 metres. (ii) From its junction with the southern extended kerbline of Culver Street West, southwards for 9 metres. (iii) From a point 7 metres south of the boundary between Head Street property Nos. 46-52 (H&M Bldg.) and No.54 (Barnardo's Bldg.), southwards for 24 metres.

Note: 'No Waiting At Any Time' is already an existing restriction at points (i) and (iii) described above.

2) To implement 'No Waiting At Any Time':

Road	Description
Head Street	EAST SIDE: (i) From a point 35 metres south of the southern extended kerbline of Culver Street West, southwards for 3 metres (ii) From a point 3 metres north of the boundary between Head Street property Nos. 46-52 (H&M Bldg.) and No.54 (Barnardo's Bldg.), southwards for 10 metres.

3) To implement 'No Stopping At Any Time Except Taxis' bay (1.8 metres wide):

Road	Description
Head Street	EAST SIDE: From a point 46.5 metres north of the boundary between Head Street property Nos. 46-52 and No. 54, northwards 12 metres.

4) To implement 'Goods Vehicles Loading Only Mon-Sat 8am-6pm' and 'No Stopping except Taxis At Other Times' (bay 1.8 metres wide):

Road	Description
Head Street	EAST SIDE: From a point 28 metres north of the boundary between Head Street property Nos. 46-52 and No. 54, northwards 18 metres

5) To introduce 'Goods Vehicle Loading Only' bay (1.8 metres wide):

Road	Description
Head Street	EAST SIDE: From a point 3 metres north of the boundary between Head Street property Nos. 46-52 and No. 54, northwards 25 metres

B) To *implement* 'No Loading At Any Time' on Culver Street West, on the following length of road within Colchester city centre

Road	Description
Culver Street West	BOTH SIDES from its j/w Head Street, eastwards 12 metres (this proposed restriction will be in addition to the existing 'No Waiting At Any Time')

The order (for parking restrictions) will be incorporated into 'The Essex County Council (Colchester Borough) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement Area) Consolidation Order 2019', substituting (map) tile number TL990 250 rev. 2 to the next available revision number.



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General Note: The given measurements and description of road lengths relating to all the above orders/proposal are approximate only.

Further Details: All associated documents for the proposed scheme are available for inspection on the Essex Highways website: essexhighways.org/traffic-regulation-orders For further information about the Active Travel Fund and the proposed measures in Colchester, please visit the website: essex.gov.uk/safer-greener-healthier

Objections: If you have any comments, queries, or objections to these proposals, please email them to SGH.Routes@essex.gov.uk , or write to the address below **by 17 February 2023**, quoting reference **TRAF-7965** on any correspondence. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

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