

## Statement of Reasons

### NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL

#### (MOVING TRAFFIC PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS, NORTH SOMERSET) CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2024 (VARIATION NO. 6) ORDER 2026

#### Part 3: Moving Restrictions (One Way with exemptions for pedal cycles) order – Link Road, Nailsea

As part of its approved Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP), North Somerset Council proposes to introduce as section of One Way onto the southeastern end on Link Road Nailsea.

The new length of One Way road is needed in order that the overall redesign of the transport hub can be accommodated. Currently the layout of the bus stops on Link Road are small and inadequate. The stop on Link Road, Nailsea is one of the most heavily used stops in North Somerset, which can cause passengers to have to stand outside the shelter within the existing layout. This is particularly true for those with mobility issues, those using wheelchairs and those using pushchairs, who have no dedicated waiting space. In order to install a new shelter which is big enough to accommodate the numbers of passengers using this facility, North Somerset Council needs to increase the size of the layby which will necessitate the reduction of usable road width for vehicles. By making this section of road one way for all vehicles apart from pedal cycles, the changes can be implemented and bring long-term benefits to both bus users, and the local community. The changes are also intended to avoid danger to persons or other traffic using the road, and to facilitate the passage on the road of any class of traffic including pedestrians.

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