STATEMENT OF REASONS

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL (SHELDON COUNTRY PARK) (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 202*

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL (RAGLEY DRIVE, SHELDON) (TRAFFIC REGULATION) ORDER 202*

Birmingham City Council having regard to its duty under section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act) proposes to make permanent orders under the provisions of the Act, the effect of which will be to introduce parking charges at Sheldon Country Park and waiting restrictions on Ragley Drive approaching the park. The area of the park and waiting restrictions are shown on the attached plans 80596 L02 V2 and 80596 L02 V3 respectively.

The introduction of parking charges is part of Birmingham City Council's (BCC) budget and delivery plan for 2024-25 and aims to support the budget position and help sustain, protect and maintain our parks and green spaces. In addition, the charging scheme will generate revenue to improve parking infrastructure and accessibility measures within the park.

The Council is proposing the new Order for waiting restrictions on Ragley Drive:

- 1. for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising
- 2. for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians)

The Council is proposing the new Orders for an off-street parking place to:

- 1. Ensure the ongoing availability of properly managed and maintained parking facilities in the location, so as to prevent congestion of traffic in the area i.e. reduce the demand for on-street parking places.
- 2. In addition, the Order will help meet the needs of people with disabilities (through the introduction of formal disabled bays); promote the economic vitality of council owned facilities and services within the district; enhance access to civil, leisure and commercial facilities within the district; assist with the delivery of wider transport plans and help protect the environment.

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