



**OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(OXFORDSHIRE 7.5 TONNE MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT RESTRICTION)
(AMENDMENT No.*) ORDER 20****

STATEMENT OF REASONS

During the initial public consultation for the A34 Lodge Hill Planning Application, comments and concerns were raised by local residents and parish Cllrs regarding potentially adverse effects of the new slip roads being constructed – particularly the likelihood of additional Heavy Goods Vehicle (HGV) usage along Hinksey Hill to bypass the A34, and then re-join at Lodge Hill, and vice versa. The County Council is therefore looking to implement a weight limit along Hinksey Hill & Oxford Road (through Bagley Wood) in order to help mitigate this.

The A4183 Oxford Road and Hinksey Hill heading north from Lodge Hill interchange up to Hinksey Interchange is currently connected to Sugworth Lane and Bagley Wood Road to the east – both of which already have weight limit restrictions. Other roads off of Hinksey Hill are either short dead-end lanes or also already have a weight limit (namely, the road to Foxcombe Road and Boars Hill). Adding a new weight limit restrictions to the A4183 Oxford Road and Hinksey Hill would not impose any additional limitations on access to surrounding areas, whilst also removing the possibility of HGV's using this section to bypass the A34.

The County Council continues its responsibility to consider the provision of convenient and safe movement of motor vehicles and other traffic, and the proposed measures are aimed at ensuring that ¹ danger is minimised whilst ² facilitating the effective and safe passage of traffic and with speed limits appropriate to the environment and driving conditions.

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Traffic Regulation Order & Schemes
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¹ Section 1 (1) (a) Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

² Section 1 (1) (c) Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984