



## Statement of Reasons

The City of London (One Way Street) (Amendment No. 22) (Widegate Street) Order 2023

### Proposal

To formalise the one-way restriction which prohibits vehicles from travelling along Widegate Street from east to west.

### Reason

The Common Council of The City of London Corporation will complete an administration exercise to rectify an error with the one-way traffic restriction on Widegate Street, as set out in the City of London (One Way Street) Traffic Order 2015.

There will be no material change to the existing on-street infrastructure related to the one-way traffic restriction at this location.

### Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

This traffic order is to be implemented in accordance with Section 6 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) as it appears to the City of London Corporation that it is expedient to make the Order for the purpose of facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians) and for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.

When considering whether to make a traffic order the City of London Corporation is under a duty pursuant to section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended), to secure so far as practicable the expeditious, convenient, and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians).

It is considered that the proposals will generally assist to secure the safer movement of vehicular and pedestrian traffic and reduce and prevent danger. Furthermore, it is considered that the proposals will affect the matters specified in section 122(2) as follows:

a) the desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises;

Comments: N/A

b) the effect on the amenities of any locality affected and (without prejudice to the generality of this paragraph) the importance of regulating and restricting the use of roads by heavy commercial vehicles, so as to preserve or improve the amenities of the areas through which the roads run;

Comment: N/A

c) the strategy prepared under section 80 of the Environment Act 1995 (national air quality strategy); N/A

d) the importance of facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and of securing the safety and convenience of persons using or desiring to use such vehicles.

Comment: N/A

**Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016**

All associated signing is in accordance with Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016. There will be no material change to existing on-street infrastructure related to the one-way restriction at this location.

**Equality Act 2010**

Due consideration has been given to the equalities duty of the City of London Corporation under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.