TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO) CONSULTATION

CRW8041RC – Crawley: Hazelwick Avenue Bus Lane

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WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (CRAWLEY: HAZELWICK AVENUE) (BUS LANE) ORDER 2025

NOTICE is hereby given that West Sussex County Council under the provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, propose to introduce a new length of bus lane on the south-west side of Hazelwick Avenue from north-west of the Bycroft Way roundabout junction north-westwards for a distance of 122 metres.

Full details of the proposals in this Notice can be viewed on our website www.westsussex.gov.uk/tro. The website includes a response form for comments or objections.

Paper copies of documents will not be available to view in council offices or libraries. People without access to a computer who wish to view details of the scheme should telephone the West Sussex County Council Contact Centre on 01243 642105 to receive the documents by post.

Any objections or comments about the proposal must be received by 12 February 2025. These may be sent via the response form on the website, in writing to: TRO Team, West Sussex County Council, The Grange, Tower Street, Chichester, PO19 1RH; or by e-mail to: tro.consultation@westsussex.gov.uk. All correspondence should be addressed to the undersigned, quoting reference no. TRO/CRW8041/RC. Only correspondence including a full name and address will be considered.

Dated this 22 January 2025

Director of Law & Assurance County Hall Chichester

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (CRAWLEY: HAZELWICK AVENUE) (BUS LANE) ORDER 202*

Statement of reasons for proposing to make the Traffic Order

The County Council in exercise of their powers under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, propose to introduce a new length of bus lane on the south-west side of Hazelwick Avenue from north-west of the Bycroft Way roundabout junction north-westwards for a distance of 122 metres.

To deliver ambitions outlined in its Bus Services Improvement Plan the County Council proposes a new 100 metre length of bus lane on Hazelwick Avenue, north-west of the Bycroft Way roundabout junction.

The scheme looks to improve bus infrastructure by reducing journey times and improving ride quality on the Hydrogen Fastway network within Crawley. The new section of bus lane on Hazelwick Avenue will improve the merge manoeuvre on the Bycroft Way roundabout junction from the existing short section of guided bus way. The current junction layout has no priority for any user and can cause delays to bus services. The length of proposed new bus lane aims to improve the junction for all users whilst improving road user safety.

The scheme is proposed to facilitate the passage on the road of any class of traffic and for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

Drawing 4413.WSCC.OV.DR.HI.002 Hazelwick Avenue Bus Lane Overview shows the lengths of road affected by this proposal

Director of Law & Assurance County Hall Chichester

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (CRAWLEY: HAZELWICK AVENUE) (BUS LANE) ORDER 202*

West Sussex County Council in exercise of their powers under Sections 1 (1) 2 (1) and (2) and 4 (1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") as amended and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act hereby make the following Order:-

PART I GENERAL Commencement and Citation

1. This Order shall come into operation on the X day of X 202* and may be cited as "West Sussex County Council (Crawley: Hazelwick Avenue) (Bus Lane) Order 202*."

Interpretation

- 2. (1) In this Order:-
 - "Borough Council" means Crawley Borough Council;
 - "Council" means either or both Borough Council and/or the County Council;
 - "County Council" means West Sussex County Council;
 - "pedal cycle" means a bicycle, tricycle or cycle having four or more wheels not being in any case a motor cycle;
 - "Public Service Vehicle" has the same meaning as in Section 1 Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981;
 - "Universal Service Provider" has the same meaning as in Section 4(3) Postal Services Act 2000;
 - "vehicle" has the same meaning as that assigned to "motor vehicle" in section 136(1) of the Act.
 - (2) Except where otherwise stated any reference in this Order to a numbered Article or Schedule is a reference to the Article or Schedule bearing that number in this Order.

PART II BUS & CYCLE LANE PROVISIONS

- 3. Save as provided in Articles 4, 5, 6 and 7 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle other than a Public Service Vehicle adapted to carry 8 or more passengers, or a pedal cycle, to proceed in the lengths of bus lane specified in the Second Schedule to this Order.
- 4. A person who causes or permits a vehicle to enter the bus lane shall not contravene Article 3 of this Order if the vehicle enters the bus lane:-
 - (a) from a road that does not comprise the bus lane and leaves the bus lane through the gap in the single white line situated opposite and adjacent to the junction of that road with the bus lane, or if there is no such gap at the point opposite that road;

- (b) from an adjacent road through any gap in the single white line and then enters a road that lies through that gap;
- (c) from any vehicular access or crossing over the footway adjoining the bus lane and leaves the bus lane at a point opposite that vehicular access or crossing;
- (d) from an adjacent part of the road at a point opposite a vehicular access or crossover adjoining the bus lane and then enters that vehicular access or crossover;
- (e) to gain access to or egress from an off-street loading bay, lay-by or garaging premises adjacent to or accessible only from the bus lane;
- (f) to facilitate household or other removals from premises adjacent to a bus lane provided that in all cases it is necessary for the vehicle to enter the bus lane and provided that prior permission has been obtained from the Council.
- A person who causes or permits any vehicle to enter or proceed in a bus lane shall not contravene Article 3 if they do so to prevent an accident and the vehicle then leaves the bus lane as soon as practicable.
- 6. A Universal Service Provider shall not contravene Article 3 if causing a marked vehicle to enter, proceed or wait in a bus lane to collect or deliver postal packets from premises or post office letter boxes adjacent to the bus lane.
- 7. Nothing in Article 3 of this Order shall apply in respect of a vehicle being used:-
 - (a) for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in the event of an emergency; or
 - (b) with the permission or upon the direction of a police constable in uniform; or
 - (c) (with the prior permission of the Council) in connection with the laying, erection, inspection, maintenance, alteration, repair, renewal on or near the said roads of any sewer pipe conduit wire cable or other apparatus for the supply of gas water electricity or of any telecommunications apparatus as defined in Schedule 2 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 resulting from works or an emergency; or
 - (d) in the service of a local authority in pursuance of its statutory powers or duties.
- 8. If it appears to the County Council essential in the interests of the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic, or the provision of suitable adequate parking facilities on the highway, or for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which any road affected by the Order runs, they may after
 - (a) consulting with the Chief Officer of Police, and
 - (b) giving such public notice as the Secretary of State may direct,

make modifications or suspend the Order or any provision contained therein.

FIRST SCHEDULE Bus & Cycle Lane - (at any time)

Length of road in Crawley

Hazelwick Avenue

South-west side – from a point 50 metres north-west of Bycroft Way roundabout junction north-westwards for 122 metres.

For and on behalf of WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Authorised Signatory:	
NAME:	
DATE MADE:	

