**The Birmingham City Council**

**(Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood)**

**(A457 Classified Road)**

**(Side Roads and other Works) Order (No.2) 2022**

**Statement of Reasons for Making the Order**

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**The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood) (A457 Classified Road) (Side Roads and Other Works) Order (No.2) 2022**

**Statement of Reasons for Making the Order**

**1. Description of the Scheme**

1.1 The Dudley Road (A457) corridor is in the North West of Birmingham and is approximately 2km long from the Ladywood Middleway/Spring Hill junction on the Ring Road (A4540) to Cape Hill near the boundary with Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council. The Dudley Road corridor acts as an access to residential areas, health facilities, major employers and forms a part of Birmingham’s Strategic Highway Network. The overall scheme covers a distance of 1359m and the specific measures relating to Northbrook Street are described in detail at 1.3 below.

1.2 The purpose of the scheme is to support economic growth in the area through the provision of wider footways and new segregated cycle paths to enhance active travel modes, the provision of dedicated pedestrian/cycling crossing facilities and the introduction of bus lanes along the corridor, alongside the carriageway realignment works to improve safety.

1.3 The proposed scheme consists of:

* The road closure of Northbrook Street at the junction with Dudley Road.
* The provision of public realm space outside No.1 to No.29 Northbrook Street
* Improvements to cycling and pedestrian provision from the junction of Coplow Street and Northbrook Street across North Summerfield Green to Barford Road, to enable better access and crossing facilities.
* Realignment of junctions to facilitate the interventions above.

1.4 This Statement of Reasons relates to a supplementary Side Roads Order which has been made to facilitate revisions to the scheme.

1.5 The following road is affected by the works: -

* Northbrook Street

1.6 Within the wider scheme which includes Northbrook Street, the A457 crosses Lee Bridge and Spring Hill Bridge. Lee bridge crosses the Birmingham Canal (Birmingham Level) and the Birmingham Bushbury Junction Rail Line by way of two bridges, together known as Lee Bridge. Spring Hill Bridge crosses the Birmingham Canal (Old Line) near to Clissold Passage.

1.7 Birmingham City Council Scheme Plan, drawing number G-CA-02715\_S1\_017A Rev

shows the proposed highway alterations in this supplementary Side Roads Order.

**2 Purpose of the Order**

* 1. The Order will enable proposed improvements designed to address matters which constrain economic stimulus and growth in the area and achieve the following benefits:
* Improved access to a number of employment sites, residential areas, and health centres in Birmingham City Centre and Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council.
* Access to the new ‘Midland Metropolitan Hospital’ and other developments such as the Icknield Port Development Site/ Soho Loop Development Sites.
* Improved access to areas targeted for regeneration specified within the Birmingham Development Plan (2017) such as Greater Icknield.
* Improved access to development sites making such sites more attractive to the market and encourage their effective use.
* Reduce the high levels of congestion and traffic queues.
* Improve journey times/reduce unreliable journey times that affect buses, cars and commercial vehicles.
* Promote connectivity for pedestrians when walking through the area.
* Encourage communities to engage in cycling through segregated/shared cycle routes along the A457 Dudley Road.
* Improvements to cycling and pedestrian provisions between junction of Coplow Street and Northbrook Street to Barford Road, which will enable improved access and crossing facilities.
* Provision of a public space outside No.1 to No.29 Northbrook Street

1. **Planning Permission and Policy**
   1. The Council does not consider that an express grant of planning permission is required for the scheme as it amounts to development permitted under Schedule 2 Part 9 Class A of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2016. However, for the avoidance of doubt, an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) screening opinion has been sought. Should the Highway Works be considered EIA development, planning permission would be required. Given the policy-compliant nature of the scheme, there is sufficient certainty to conclude that planning permission is very likely to be granted. Should planning permission be required there is still sufficient time within the programme for the delivery of the scheme.

**4 Related Orders**

4.1 The following Orders have been made by the Council:

The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood) (A457 Classified Road) (Side Roads and Other Works) Order 2019

The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood) Compulsory Purchase Order 2019

4.2 A further Compulsory Purchase Order will be made and submitted for confirmation in conjunction with this Order.

1. **Officers to be Contacted**
   1. The following officers at Birmingham City Council should be contacted for further information regarding:

(a) Engineering Enquiries Mr Robert Warner

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Transport & Connectivity

PO Box 16719

Birmingham B2 2GA

E-mail: Transport.Projects@birmingham.gov.uk

1. Land Compensation, Mr Azmat Mir

Relocation and Business Birmingham Property Services

Enquiries Woodcock Street

PO Box 16255

Birmingham B2 2WT

E-mail: Azmat.Mir@birmingham.gov.uk

(c) Legal Enquiries Miss Linda Brown

Legal Services Department

Woodcock Street

PO Box 15992

Birmingham B2 2UQ

E-mail: [CPOLegal@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:CPOLegal@birmingham.gov.uk)

1. **Inquiries – Procedure Rules**

6.1 This Statement of Reasons is not intended to be a Statement of Case in accordance with the Highway (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 1994.

1. **Deposit** **Documents and Drawings**

Copies of the Side Roads Order and plan are available for the public to view at the following venues:

Birmingham City Council

Transport Projects

10 Woodcock Street

Birmingham

B7 4BL

during normal opening hours (i.e. Monday to Thursday 8:45 am – 5:15 pm and Friday 8:45 am – 4:15 pm) and

Summerfield Community Centre

Winson Green Road

Birmingham

B18 4EJ

Opening hours for Summerfield Community Centre:

Monday: 9 am - 8 pm

Tuesday: 9 am - 9 pm

Wednesday: 9 am - 8 pm

Thursday: 9 am - 9 pm

Friday: 9 am – 6 pm

Saturday: 9.30 am - 1 pm

Sunday: Closed

1. **Documents Supporting the Order**

BCC1 The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood) (A457 Classified Road) (Side Roads and Other Works) Order (No.2) 2022.

BCC2 Plan accompanying The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood (A457 Classified Road) (Side Roads and Other Works) Order (No.2) 2022.

BCC 3 Scheme Plan accompanying The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood) (A457 Classified Road) (Side Roads and Other Works) Order (No.2) 2022.

BCC4 Statement of Reasons for The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood) (A457 Classified Road) (Side Roads and Other Works) Order (No.2) 2022.

BCC5 The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood) Compulsory Purchase Order 2019.

BCC6 Plans accompanying The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood) Compulsory Purchase Order 2019.

BCC7 Statement of Reasons for The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood) Compulsory Purchase Order 2019.

BCC 8 Location Plan

BCC9 National Planning Policy Framework

BCC10 Birmingham Development Plan – Extracts and Policies Map

BCC11 Birmingham Cycle Revolution.

BCC12 Consultation Schedule/letters and consultation area map Summary

BCC13 Birmingham Emergency Transport Plan

BCC14 Birmingham Transport Plan

BCC15 Birmingham Development Plan

BCC16 Greater Birmingham and Solihull Local Enterprise Partnership (GBSLEP) Strategy for Growth

BCC17 Strategic Economic Plan

BCC18 Movement for Growth 2026 Delivery Plan for Transport

BCC19 Birmingham Connected Transport Strategy

BCC20 Clean Air Strategy for the City of Birmingham – Draft

BCC21 Cabinet Reported dated 22nd March 2022

**Highways Act 1980 – Order Under Section 14**

**Part 1**

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| **1. Name of Applicant** | Birmingham City Council |
| **2. Title of Order** | The Birmingham City Council (Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood) (A457 Classified Road) (Side Roads and Other Works) Order (No.2) 2022. |
| **3. Classified Road to Which Order Relates** | A457 Dudley Road Winson Green/Spring Hill Ladywood |
| **4. Expected Date of Start of Works** | March 2023 |
| **5. Description of the Works Proposed on the Classified Road** | Closure of Northbrook Street at A457 Dudley Road to facilitate highway improvements on Dudley Road. The new road alignment design has dictated the requirement for the road closure at this junction, to minimise structural enhancements to Lee Canal Bridge and to provide the necessary widening to the junction with Heath Street.  The pedestrianisation of the northern section of Northbrook Street seeks to improve pedestrian and cycle connectivity to the wider estate. |
| **6. Position Relating to Planning Permission for the improved classified road** | Planning Permission is deemed pursuant to  Part 9 Class A Schedule 2 to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2016 |
| **7. Position Relating to Compulsory Purchase Orders** | A Compulsory Purchase Order supplemental to this Side Roads Order will be made shortly. |

**Part 2 – Description and objective of the works, and details of who will carry them out**

1. **Highways to be Improved**

Northbrook Street – from a point 70.63 metres from its junction with the Classified Road (A457) for a length of 5.47 metres in a south-easterly direction. This improvement will allow for on-street parking spaces for adjacent properties.

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1. **Highways to be Stopped Up**

Northbrook Street from its junction with the Classified Road (A457) southwards (a distance of 70.63 metres)

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1. **Routes of the New Highway**

Cycle track with a right of way on footlinking the widened Classified Road (A457) with Northbrook Street for a distance of 63.09 metres.

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