

**MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL TRAFFIC REGULATION, SPEED LIMITS AND  
PARKING REGULATIONS CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2019  
(AMENDMENT ORDER NO 19) 2026**

**PROPOSED PROVISION AND AMENDMENTS TO TRAFFIC  
ORDERS WITHIN VARIOUS COMMUNITIES IN MONMOUTHSHIRE**

**EFFECT OF THE ORDER:**

- To introduce a 7.5t Structural Weight Restriction on the A4077 Gilwern Viaduct, Gilwern.
- To introduce a Time Restricted Prohibition of Driving (Term Time Only, 08:30-09:00 & 15:00-15:40) - Except for permit holders & Blue Badge holders on Harold Road, Abergavenny.
- To revoke a Prohibition of Motor Vehicles on Glynwood Road, Pontyiseion, Tintern.

**STATEMENT OF REASONS**

The proposals outlined in this Amendment Order are presented by Monmouthshire County Council in its capacity as the highway authority. The Authority is exercising its statutory powers under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (RTRA 1984) and the Traffic Management Act 2004 (TMA 2004), which collectively provide the legal framework for local authorities to manage and regulate traffic on their road networks.

The purpose for which these orders are proposed is multi-faceted, aligning directly with the objectives set out in Section 1 and 2 of the RTRA 1984 and following consideration of the matters set out in Section 122. These include but are not limited to:

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road.
- For facilitating the passage on the road of any class of traffic, including pedestrians.
- For preventing the use of the road by vehicular traffic of a kind which, or its use by vehicular traffic in a manner which, is unsuitable, having regard to the existing character of the road or adjoining property.
- For preserving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

Each of the proposals detailed in this statement is the culmination of a thorough review process and is a direct response to concerns and requests received from local residents, community councils, and elected ward members. They reflect a commitment to a proactive and responsive approach to highway management, addressing local issues to enhance safety, accessibility, and the overall highway environment for all users. The measures proposed are designed to be both effective and proportionate to the identified problems, ensuring that any negative impacts are minimised and appropriately mitigated.

<b>Drawing Number</b>	<b>Associated Road Name(s)</b>	<b>Details</b>
<b>2279</b>	<b>A4077 Gilwern Viaduct, Gilwern.</b>	<p><b>Proposed 7.5t Structural Weight Restriction.</b></p> <p>The purpose of this Traffic Regulation Order is to introduce a 7.5 tonne structural weight restriction on the A4077 Gilwern Viaduct. The Order is intended to ensure that the type and nature of the weight restriction applying at this location accurately reflects the characteristics and vulnerabilities of the structure and provides an appropriate and proportionate level of protection.</p> <p>The viaduct has historically been signed as a 7.5 tonne environmental weight restriction. However, following the need for emergency repair works and a corresponding structural assessment of the viaduct, it became evident that the controlling factor for vehicle loading at this</p>

		<p>location is the structural capacity of the bridge rather than environmental considerations. This highlighted the need to align the legal basis of the restriction with the risk it is intended to manage.</p> <p>During the period when emergency works were undertaken, a temporary 3 tonne structural weight restriction was implemented to ensure the immediate safety of the structure and the travelling public. Following completion of these works and further review of the bridge's condition, it has been determined that a permanent 7.5 tonne limit will be appropriate, provided this is correctly established as a structural weight restriction.</p> <p>The introduction of this Order will therefore formalise a 7.5 tonne structural weight restriction on the A4077 Gilwern Viaduct, ensuring consistency between the legal Order, on-street signing and the underlying structural assessments. This will provide clarity for road users and enforcement authorities and ensure that vehicular loading of the bridge is managed in a manner that safeguards its long-term integrity.</p> <p>The restriction is considered necessary in the interests of highway safety, the protection of the highway infrastructure and the continued availability of the viaduct as a safe and reliable part of the local road network.</p>
2280	Glynwood Road, Pontyseison, Tintern.	<p><b>Proposed Revocation of the Existing Prohibition of Driving.</b></p> <p>The purpose of this Traffic Regulation Order is to revoke the existing Prohibition of Motor Vehicles on Glynwood Road, Pontyseison, Tintern. The prohibition was previously introduced as part of an earlier Traffic Regulation Order following a statutory consultation process.</p> <p>Subsequent to the making of that Order, concerns were raised and the consultation process was challenged by an independent organisation. In light of this challenge, and without prejudice to the merits or objectives of the original restriction, the authority considers it appropriate to revoke the current prohibition in order to ensure legal clarity, procedural robustness and transparency.</p> <p>The revocation of the Order will remove any uncertainty surrounding the validity of the existing restriction and will allow the authority to undertake a full review of the restriction. This approach ensures that any future traffic regulation proposals affecting Glynwood Road are progressed through a consultation process that is comprehensive, legally sound and fully compliant with statutory requirements.</p> <p>It is the intention of the authority that following this revocation and subsequent review, the restriction may be reconsidered and, if appropriate, brought forward again through a new Traffic Regulation Order with renewed</p>

		<p>consultation at a future date. This will enable all interested parties and stakeholders to be properly consulted and will support informed decision-making in the public interest.</p> <p>The revocation is therefore considered necessary in the interests of good governance, legal certainty and fairness, and to ensure that any future traffic management measures on Glynwood Road are implemented on a clear and defensible legal basis in order for future provisions to be enforceable and realising the intention of the measure namely to secure the safety of pedestrians and reduce the impact on the environment.</p>
2281	Harold Road, Abergavenny.	<p><b>Time Restricted Prohibition of Driving (Term Time Only, 08:30-09:00 &amp; 15:00-15:40) - Except for permit holders and Blue Badge holders.</b></p> <p>The purpose of this Traffic Regulation Order is to introduce a time-restricted prohibition of driving on Harold Road, Abergavenny, operating during school term times only between 08:30 and 09:00 hours and 15:00 and 15:40 hours, with exemptions for permit holders and Blue Badge holders.</p> <p>This Order is intended to replace and make permanent the arrangements that were previously implemented under an Experimental School Street Order.</p> <p>The experimental scheme demonstrated that restricting vehicular access during peak school arrival and departure times improved safety and conditions outside the school. Making the provisions permanent will ensure a consistent and enforceable arrangement that continues to protect pupils, parents, school staff and other road users.</p> <p>The introduction of this Order is necessary to improve pedestrian safety by reducing vehicle movements during periods of high pedestrian activity, particularly at times when children are travelling to and from school and are most vulnerable. It will also help to reduce congestion and minimise potential conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians directly outside the school frontage. In addition, the Order will contribute to creating a safer, calmer and more pleasant environment by reducing noise and vehicle emissions during critical times of the school day. By improving safety and the quality of the streetscape, the Order supports and encourages active travel, including walking, wheeling and cycling, for school journeys.</p> <p>Overall, the Order is considered necessary to facilitate the safe and convenient use of the highway, support sustainable travel objectives and deliver long-term road safety benefits for the local community, while retaining appropriate access for exempted users.</p>