



STATEMENT OF REASONS

The Borough Council of Calderdale (Traffic Regulation) (Mayroyd Lane, Hebden Bridge) (No. *) Order 20**

The Council proposes to make the above Order to prevent motor vehicles from crossing the section of Mayroad Lane, Hebden Bridge carried by the Crow Nest Bridge. This is intended to protect the bridge and ensure the safety of those using it.

In 2021 a structural survey was carried out on Crow Nest Bridge, Hebden Bridge and it was deemed not safe to carry motor vehicles. As a result, a temporary prohibition was put in place preventing vehicles from using the bridge by way of an Temporary Traffic Regulation Order. The temporary Order expired in May 2022.

Remedial works to strengthen the bridge are unlikely to be realistically carried out in the near future. As such, it is proposed to make the closure permanent by way of a Traffic Regulation Order. An alternative route to properties to the south of the bridge can be made via Hebble End, Shelf Road and Palace House Road. Access across the bridge will still be available for pedestrian, cyclists, wheelchair users and horse riders.

The Council considers that these proposals are expedient for:

- avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising; and
- preventing damage to the road or to any building on or near the road