Various Roads in Oxshott, Cobham, and Leatherhead Experimental 7.5t Environmental Weight Restriction Statement of Reasons

Surrey County Council has installed an overnight 7.5t experimental environmental weight restriction on the A244 between its junctions with the M25 and the A3, and which includes various side roads leading to the A244. The restriction applies between 10pm and 6am. This is in response to concerns raised by residents regarding the suitability of heavy commercial vehicles using the A244 and where the passing of this type of traffic overnight has a detrimental effect to residents living along the route. Alternative routes are considered to exist that are more appropriate to carry heavy commercial vehicles that would normally use the A244. To provide sufficient opportunity for any vehicle over 7.5t to turn around before reaching the restriction on the A244 various sides roads leading to the route have had to be included within the restriction. Therefore, the extents of the restriction include the following roads: -

- (a) the entire length of Oxshott Road (A244) Leatherhead
- (b) the entire length of Leatherhead Road (A244) Oxshott
- (c) the entire length of High Street (A244) Oxshott
- (d) the entire length of Warren Lane (A244) Oxshott
- (e) that length of Copsem Lane (A244) Oxshott as extends from its junction with (D6851) Sandy Lane and (A244) Warren Lane to its junction at the roundabout with (A3) Esher By-Pass (also known as Esher Common Roundabout)
- (f) the entire length of Oxshott Road (B2430) Leatherhead
- (g) the entire length of Oaklawn Road (C131) Leatherhead
- (h) the entire length of The Green (D6861) Oxshott
- (i) the entire length of Steels Lane (D6861) Oxshott
- (j) that length of Blundel Lane (D6864) Stoke D'Abernon as extends from its junction with (D6861) Steels Lane and (D6863) Kenilworth Avenue to its junction with (D6864) Blundel Lane in the vicinity of No.23 Blundel Lane

- (k) that length of Fairoak Lane (B280) Oxshott as extends from its junction with (A244) Warren Lane to the boundary line between Surrey County Council and the London Borough of Kingston upon Thames
- (I) the entire length of Sandy Lane (D6851) Cobham

The 7.5t environmental weight restriction applies to any vehicle over 7.5t (except buses) and means that any such vehicle must not use or travel along any road within this restriction, unless trying to gain access to any property within the restriction.

Due to the extent of the 7.5t environmental weight restriction, and for the reasons set out above, the 7.5t environmental weight restriction is currently experimental, for a maximum period of 18 months. This is so that an assessment can be carried out on the impact that this restriction may have on other roads on the network, prior to any decision being made on whether to make this restriction permanent.

The Council will consider in due course whether the provisions of the Experimental Traffic Order should be reproduced and continued in force indefinitely by means of an Order Under Section 1 of the Act.