<u>CITY OF STOKE-ON-TRENT (STAFFORD STREET)</u> (TRAFFIC REGULATION) (NO.68) EXPERIMENTAL ORDER, 2008

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOKE-ON-TRENT in exercise of its powers under Sections 9 and 10 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") 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:-

- 1. In this Order, except where the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:
 - "Taxi" means a vehicle licensed in England and Wales under the Town Police Clauses Act 1847, the Metropolitan Public Carriage Act 1869 or any similar enactment.
 - "Bus", "Pedal Cycle" and "Traffic Lane" have the meanings given in the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002
 - "Bus Lane" means a Traffic Lane in a length of road specified in the First Schedule hereto
 - "Vehicle" shall include part of a vehicle
 - "cause" shall include permit
- 2. Save as provided for in Articles 5, 6 and 7 of this Order no person shall at anytime cause any Vehicle except Buses, Taxis and Pedal Cycles to be in a Bus Lane, in the length of road specified in the First Schedule hereto.
- 3. Save as provided for in Article 5 of this Order no person shall at anytime cause the stopping of any vehicle other than a bus in the lengths of road specified in the Second Schedule hereto.
- 4. Save as provided for in Articles 5 and 8 a), c), d) and e) of this Order no person shall cause or permit the unloading or loading of goods or merchandise to or from any vehicle between the hours of 6.30pm and 7am in the lengths of road specified in the Third Schedule hereto.
- 5. Nothing in this Order shall apply to anything done upon the direction of or with the permission of an on duty police officer in uniform.
- 6. Nothing in this Order shall render it unlawful to cause a Vehicle to be in a Bus Lane in the lengths of road specified in the First Schedule hereto for the purposes of loading goods from or unloading goods to a property adjacent to that road.

- 7. Nothing in this Order shall render it unlawful to cause a Vehicle to be in a Bus Lane in the lengths of road specified in the First Schedule hereto for as long as may be necessary:
 - a) to enable a person to board or alight from a Vehicle
 - b) to enable a Vehicle in the service of or employed by a universal service provider and in actual use as such to unload and deliver postal packets addressed to premises adjacent to the road, or to collect and load postal packets from postal boxes or premises adjacent to the road
 - c) to enable the removal of any obstruction to traffic
 - d) to enable the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of any road
 - e) to enable the maintenance, improvement or construction of any street furniture including bus stop infrastructure
 - f) to enable a Vehicle in the service of the local authority for the purpose of collecting refuse
 - g) to enable the Vehicle if it cannot be used for such purposes in any other road, to be used in connection with any building operation, or demolition
 - h) to enable a Vehicle to get to or from any road adjacent to the bus lane or any vehicular access to premises adjacent to the bus lane
 - to enable a Vehicle in connection with the laying, erection, alteration or repair in or near to a bus lane of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity, or of any telecommunications apparatus as defined in paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 2 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 if the Vehicle cannot be used for that purpose without being in the bus lane and in so far as the activity is not prohibited by the provisions of any other Traffic Order
- 8. Nothing in Article 4 of this Order shall render it unlawful to cause or permit a vehicle to wait in the lengths of road referred to in that Article for so long as may be necessary:
 - a) to enable a person to board or alight from the vehicle.
 - b) to enable goods or merchandise to be loaded onto or unloaded from the vehicle.

- to enable the vehicle if it cannot be used for such purposes in any other road, to be used in connection with any building operation or demolition, the removal of any obstruction to traffic, the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of the length of road so referred to, or the laying, erection, alteration or repair in or near to the said road of any sewer or main pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or of any telecommunication apparatus kept installed for the purpose of a Telecommunication code system or with any service provided by means of any such apparatus as defined in the Telecommunications Act 1984.
- d) to enable a vehicle of (and bearing a livery used by) a universal service provider within the meaning ascribed by the Postal Services Act 2000 to be used for the purpose of delivering or collecting postal packets in the course of the provision of a universal postal service as defined in that Act.
- e) to enable a vehicle if it cannot be used for such purposes in any road for the pursuance of statutory powers and duties.
- f) for the conveyancing of persons, goods or merchandise to or from any premises situated on or adjacent to that road
- 9. The Interpretation Act, 1978 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applied for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
- 10. This Order shall come into operation on the 17th day of April 2010 and may be cited as "City Of Stoke-on-Trent (Stafford Street) (Traffic Regulation) (No.68) Experimental Order, 2008".

DATED this 16th day of April 2010.

SIGNED ON BEHALF of the COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOKE-ON-TRENT

Authorised Signatory

FIRST SCHEDULE BUS LANE EXCEPT CYCLISTS AND TAXIS

Stafford Street

From its junction with Percy Street to its junction with Piccadilly; in a northerly direction

The Whole of the bus lane connecting Stafford Street and Quadrant Road; in a northerly direction

SECOND SCHEDULE BUS STAND

Stafford Street (West Side)

from a point 16 metres north of its junction with Piccadilly to a point 9 metres south of its junction with Trinity Street

THIRD SCHEDULE NO LOADING OR UNLOADING 6.30PM-7AM

Stafford Street (East Side)

from a point 38 metres north of its junction with Percy Street to a point 75 metres north of its junction with Percy Street

(West Side)

- (i) from its junction with Trinity Street for a distance of 9 metres in a southerly direction
- (ii) from its junction with Piccadilly for a distance of 16 metres in a northerly direction