

**THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF GATESHEAD (WHICKHAM HIGHWAY,
GATESHEAD) (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2021**

Statement of Reasons

Concerns were raised to Gateshead Council regarding obstructive and inconsiderate parking around Emmanuel College, particularly around the traffic signals at Whickham Highway and the junction with Malvern Gardens. These actions are not only obstructive to sightlines but are also causing significant congestion issues and road safety concerns with vehicles on occasion obstructing the footway to pedestrians. As part of the Council's commitment to improve road safety around schools, parking restrictions are therefore proposed along the length of Whickham Highways and at its junction with Malvern Gardens with the aim of reducing congestion and improving road safety around Emmanuel College.

Gateshead Council as Highway Authority propose to make the above order in discharge of its duty under Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, "to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians)", in accordance with the provisions of Section 1(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 namely:-

- (a) 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;
- (c) For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).