

STATEMENT OF REASONS

The City of Edinburgh Council (Traffic Regulation; Restrictions on Waiting, Loading and Unloading, Stopping and Parking Places) (Variation No. 19) Order 2023 - TRO/23/29

The Disabled Persons Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009 places a responsibility on local authorities in Scotland to provide suitable parking places for blue badge holders, subject to criteria contained in that Act. The Council, having considered its duties under the terms of the Act, has identified areas that require:

- **Provisions for new parking places** – In each case the Council has considered those applications; confirmed the applicant’s eligibility for a DPPP space, confirmed compliance with the duties as set out within the Disabled Persons Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009 and carried out on-site assessments and investigations to determine suitable locations for a DPPP space.

- **The removal of parking places no longer required** – The Council have undertaken investigations to determine whether the person or persons for which those parking places were provided has no further need for said parking place, and having confirmed that there are no other eligible blue badge holder residents in the vicinity of said parking place/s who might have a need to use that space, the Council now proposes to remove those parking places from the traffic order. That removal will, in the case of; parking places in an unrestricted road, involve returning those parking place/s to unrestricted space; or parking places within any part of any Controlled Parking Zone, involve the reallocation of that space to yellow line or to another designation of parking place.

- **Amendments to existing parking places** – These amendments reflect changing circumstances, changes to road layout and adjustments to existing parking provision previously provided.