

SL1 – To Departmental Committee Clerk

Dear Michael,

The Loading Bays on Roads (Amendment No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2026

The Department for Infrastructure proposes to make a Statutory Rule under powers conferred by Articles 10 and 13 of the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 (“the 1997 Order”). The Statutory Rule is not subject to any Assembly procedure and does not require to be laid before the Assembly.

Article 10 of the 1997 Order enables the Department, by Order, to provide parking places and Article 13 enables it to make provision as to how a parking place is used, the persons or vehicles who may use it and the conditions under which it may be used.

The Rule will introduce a loading bay on a length of Duke Street, Derry/Londonderry and on a length of Westland Street, Derry/Londonderry to operate at any time on all days for the use of all vehicles loading and unloading certain goods. Vehicles are excepted from the conditions in certain circumstances. It will also remove a loading bay on Main Street, Clogher.

The loading bay at Duke Street was provided by a developer as part of a planning condition. The loading bay on Westland Street is being introduced following consideration of a request from a local politician on behalf of a local business. The loading bay in Clogher is being removed as it is no longer required.

Previous Engagement with the Committee

None.

Consultation

The PSNI was consulted and has no objections. Derry City and Strabane District Council has been notified of the proposals but has not commented.

Following completion of the required statutory consultation process, which opened on 19th May 2026 and closed on 12th June 2026, and included advertising of the Notice of Intention in the Londonderry Sentinel, Derry Journal and Ulster Herald, no objections or other representations were received during the objection period.

Equality Impact

There are no known Section 75 implications. Following publication of the Notice of Intention in the local press, no Section 75 issues were raised.

Regulatory Impact

A regulatory impact assessment was not considered necessary as the proposals do not result in any costs or savings on businesses, charities, or voluntary bodies.

Rural Needs Impact

A rural needs impact assessment was not considered necessary.

Data Protection Impact

The Department has carried out a Data Protection Screening Analysis, and no data protection issues have been identified.

Child Rights Impact

A separate child rights impact assessment was not considered necessary as impacts on children and young people have been captured in the appropriate section of the Section 75 screening form.

Position in Great Britain

Not applicable.

Any Other Information

None.

Financial Implications

Spend relates primarily to departmental staff costs as well as any physical infrastructure costs, for which there is sufficient budget.

Compliance with Section 24 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998

The Department has carried out a Human Rights Act Screening Analysis, and no human rights issues have been identified.

Consideration by the Executive

Not required.

Proposed Timing of Consideration of the SL1

This SL1 has been submitted in accordance with the minimum four-week timeframe, and it is proposed the Committee considers the SL1 as soon as possible.

Proposed Operational Date

It is proposed the Rule will come into operation approximately one month following its consideration by the Committee.

The draft of the proposed Statutory Rule is attached, and you will wish to bring this matter to the attention of the Committee for Infrastructure.

Yours sincerely,



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Signed for the Department for Infrastructure

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**cc: Human Rights Commission
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