Hounslow Road, Hanworth - proposed road reclassification, 7.5 tonne weight restriction and 20mph zone.

A. The London Borough of Hounslow (20mph Speed Limit) (No. **) Order 20**

B. The London Borough of Hounslow (Weight Restriction) (No.*) Order 20**

1. The Council of the London Borough of Hounslow proposes to make the above-mentioned Orders under sections 6, 84(1) and 84(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Additionally, the Council is looking to reclassify Hounslow Road, Hanworth between Bear Road and A312 Uxbridge Road/Hampton Road West from an ‘A’ road to a ‘B’ road.

2. The general effect of the speed limit Order would be to impose a speed limit of 20mph in Hounslow Road, Hanworth - Hounslow Road between Bear Road and A312 Uxbridge Road/Hampton Road West.

3. The general effect of the Weight Restriction Order would be to prohibit vehicles, the maximum gross weight of which exceeds 7.5 tonnes from proceeding in Hounslow Road, Hanworth between Bear Road and A312, except for access for loading and unloading.

4. Documents giving detailed information of the proposed Orders can be viewed for a period of 21 days from the date of this Notice:
   (a) On the Council’s website at http://www.hounslow.gov.uk/trafficnoticelist and/or by typing in the term “traffic notices” in the search bar; or
   (b) at the Forms and Documents Counter, Civic Centre, Lampton Road, Hounslow TW3 4DN between 9am and 4.15pm Mondays to Friday.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning the Regeneration, Economic Development & Environment Department on 020 8583 3322.

5. Any person desiring to object to the proposed Orders and/or comment on the reclassification of Hounslow Road, Hanworth should put it in writing and sent to the Executive Director of Regeneration, Economic Development & Environment at the address above or by email to traffic@hounslow.gov.uk quoting the reference TMO/P022/17, to be received by no later than Friday 19 May 2017.

Dated 28 April 2017

Executive Director of Regeneration, Economic Development & Environment (Brendon Walsh)
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STATEMENT OF REASONS

The Council is proposing to reclassify Hounslow Road from an 'A' road to a 'B' road as well as to introduce a 7.5 tonne weight restriction in the Bear Road / Hounslow Road area, Hanworth. It’s anticipated that this will discourage the use of Hounslow Road (between the A312 and A316) by through traffic, particular Heavy Goods Vehicles in order to preserve and improve the amenity of the area. The alternative route is via the A312 and A316. Access for goods vehicles to make deliveries to premises within the restricted area will be permitted.

In addition to the weight restriction the Council recognises the benefits that lower vehicle speeds has on improving road safety on road within the borough. Lower vehicle speeds reduce the severity of injuries and also the likelihood of them. Research suggests that a 1% reduction in the average speed can reduce collision frequency by 6%. It is expected that lower vehicle speeds within the borough will also encourage walking and cycling.

It is expected that the proposed measures will create a safer environment that will be of particular benefit to vulnerable road users especially the young, elderly and those with disabilities.