## **Notice of Making**

## THE FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (THEATRE CLWYD ACCESS ROAD, MOLD) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) (EXCEPT FOR ACCESS AND CYCLISTS) ORDER 2025

Notice is hereby given that on the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2025, Flintshire County Council made an Order, under Section 1, 2 and 3 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, 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, the effect of which will be:

- 1) To prohibit any vehicle except pedal cycles and for access, from entering the Theatre Clwyd Access Road :-
- a) Theatre Clwyd Access Road: From a point 73 metres east of its junction with Raikes
   Lane
- b) **Theatre Clwyd Access Road:** From a point 63 metres north west of its junction with the four leg roundabout.

A copy of the Order, which comes into force on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025, together with a plan showing the length of road to which the Order relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for the making of the Order, may be examined at Flintshire Connects, Mold Library, Earl Road, Mold, Flintshire CH7 1AP, during opening hours or they may be viewed on our website at www.Flintshire.gov.uk > Resident > Roads, Streets and Travel > Traffic Regulation Orders or you can request a copy of the documents by emailing <a href="mailto:Streetscene@flintshire.gov.uk">Streetscene@flintshire.gov.uk</a> or by calling 01352701234.

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or any of its provisions on the grounds that any requirements of the Act or any instruments made under it has not been complied with, you may, within 6 weeks from the date on which the Order is made, apply for the purpose to the High Court.

Dated this 24th day of January 2025

Katie Wilby,

Chief Officer (Streetscene & Transportation),

County Hall, Mold,

Flintshire. CH7 6NF

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## THE FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (THEATRE CLWYD ACCESS ROAD, MOLD) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) (EXCEPT FOR ACCESS AND CYCLISTS) ORDER 2025

The Flintshire County Council in exercise of its powers under Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, ("the Act of 1984") as amended 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 makes the following Order:

- 1. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle except for access and pedal cycles to drive through the Road fronting Theatre Clwyd, Access Road, Mold:-
- a) Theatre Clwyd Access Road: From a point 73 metres east of its junction with Raikes
  Lane
- b) Theatre Clwyd Access Road: From a point 63 metres north west of its junction with the four leg roundabout.
- 2. Nothing in Article 1 of this Order, shall apply so as to prevent any person from causing any vehicle to proceed in the length of road referred to in that Article, if the vehicle is :-
- a) To gain access to adjoining premises;
- b) In an emergency for Fire Brigade, Ambulance or Police purposes;
- c) a pedal cycle, which is not a motor vehicle;
- d) In connection with the carrying out of-
- i) The maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of the said length of road;
- ii) The laying, erection, alteration or repair in, or on land adjacent to the said length of road, of any sewer, main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or of any electronic communications network as defined in the Communications Act 2003:
- iii) Building, industrial or demolition operations;
- e) In the service of a local authority, public utility company or the Environment Agency in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;
- f) The vehicle to be used for the purposes of delivering or collecting postal packets as defined in Section 125 of the Postal Services Act 2000.
- 3. The prohibitions and restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation from any restriction or requirement imposed by any regulations made or having effect as if made under the Act of 1984 or by or under any other enactment.

- 4. The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
- 5. This Order shall come into operation on the 31st January 2025 and may be cited as The Flintshire County Council (Theatre Clwyd Access Road, Mold) (Prohibition of Driving) (Except for Access and Cyclists) Order 2025.

THE COMMON SEAL of

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL)

was hereunto affixed

this 21st day of January 2025

in the presence of:-

SENIOR SOLICITOR

LEGAL SERVICES MANAGER

Moul -CHIEF-OFFICER (GOVERNANCE)



Cambridge Transport

#### THE FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## (THEATRE CLWYD ACCESS ROAD, MOLD) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) (EXCEPT FOR ACCESS AND CYCLISTS) ORDER 202x

### STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR PROPOSING TO MAKE THE ORDER

Flintshire County Council are proposing to introduce a Prohibition of Driving restriction on the access road fronting Theatre Clwyd, Mold. It is proposed to prevent through traffic at this location, but will continue to allow the passage of cyclists, pedestrians and visitors that wish to use Theatre Clwyd. The Order seeks to prevent the use of a section of road by motorised traffic of any kind and preserve the amenities of the area and facilitate the passage of pedestrians and cyclists.

Whilst improvement works have been on-going at Theatre Clwyd, a system to prevent through traffic has been in place and therefore this Traffic Regulation Order will formalise the current arrangement.

The improvements works to the highway, include modifications both to the east and west of the access road to Theatre Clwyd by the introduction of a mini roundabout incorporating a drop off and pick up area and improved accessible parking bays.

The proposal will improve the amenity of the area and contribute to creating a safer highway environment for all road users, especially for pedestrians accessing Theatre Clwyd, as explained below.

## Martyn's Law

This is new legislation following the Manchester Arena Bombings. Under this new law, theatres, concert halls and similar venues have many new responsibilities when considering how best to protect people. Removing vehicle access to the front of the building would enable a number of these points to be achieved, as it helps to control the flow of vehicles and provides a safer space to escape to at the front of the building.

#### Safety of Wider Audiences

A safer and more welcoming approach will be created audiences and wider building users. We will welcome hundreds of thousands of people a year and its important that the investment in the building is reflected in the outdoor spaces.

## Disability Discrimination Act

The redeveloped building will become one of the most accessible public buildings in Wales. Should these works not take place there would not be step free access to the car park, nor would there be any level accessible parking available.

The proposals are detailed in the Public Notice and are contained in the proposed Draft Order.

Dated this Friday 6th day of December 2024

Katie Wilby,

Chief Officer (Streetscene & Transportation), County Hall, Mold, Flintshire. CH7 6NF

