ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

(FRIARGATE, HEATLEY STREET, HILL STREET AND UNION STREET, PRESTON, PRESTON CITY) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) EXPERIMENTAL ORDER 2025

The County Council of Lancashire ("the Council") in exercise of its powers under Sections 9, 10(1) and 10(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended ("the Act") and of all other enabling powers, after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, hereby make the following Order: -

1. Definitions and Interpretation

For all the purposes of this Order the terms described in this Article shall have the meanings specified:

- a) "Pedal Cycle" means a unicycle, bicycle, tricycle, or cycle having four or more wheels, not being in any case mechanically propelled unless it is an electrically assisted pedal cycle of such class as is to be treated as not being a motor vehicle for the purposes of the 1984 Act;
- b) "Permit Holder" means a person to whom a permit has been issued (for the purpose of this Order a Doctor on call, or service Vehicle is deemed to be a permit holder but does not require a permit);
- c) "Permit" for the purposes of this Order the term permit refers to a "Pedestrian Zone Access Permit" or "Loading Access Permit" issued by the Council or its local agent authority. Charges, eligibility criteria and terms for said permit are published by the issuing authority;
- d) **"Vehicle"** means a motor vehicle, a passenger vehicle, a dual-purpose vehicle, a goods vehicle, a motorcycle or an invalid carriage or any other vehicle of any description whether drawn or propelled along a road by animal or mechanical power.

2. Prohibition of Driving Except Pedal Cycles, and Permit Holders Between 6am and 11am.

Save as is hereinafter provided, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, cause or permit any Vehicle, except a Pedal Cycle, to proceed in the land edged blue on the plan forming part of this Order generally described in the Schedule to this Order, unless that Vehicle is the holder of a valid FGN Permit, in which case they may proceed between the hours of 6am and 11am.

This prohibition includes an obstruction in accordance with Section 92 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

3. Exemptions

Nothing in Article 2 of this Order shall render it unlawful to cause or permit any vehicle to travel along any part of the lengths of road referred to therein for so long as may be necessary to enable:

- a) the vehicle to be used for fire brigade, ambulance or police purposes in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;
- b) the vehicle to be used for the purposes of a local authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties if it cannot conveniently be used for such purpose in any other road;
- c) if the Vehicle is being used in connection with the carrying out, or on premises situated on or adjacent to that length of road, of any of the following operations namely:
 - i) building, industrial or demolition operations;

- ii) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;
- iii) the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of the said lengths of roads;
- the laying, erection, alteration or repair in or in land adjacent to the said lengths of road of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus or the exercise of any other statutory power or duty for the maintenance and supply of gas, water or electricity or of any telecommunications system as defined in Section 4 of the Telecommunications Act 1984.

4. Miscellaneous

The prohibition imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation of any restrictions or requirements imposed by any regulations made, or having effect as if made, under the Act or by or under any other enactment.

5. Modification or Suspension of Order

The Council's Duly Authorised Officer may modify or suspend the operation of this Order or any provision of it if it appears to be:

- a) in the interests of the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic;
- b) in the interests of providing suitable and adequate on-street parking facilities; or
- c) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which any road affected by the Order runs.

6. Commencement of Order

This Order shall come into force on the 02nd day of May 2025, will be in operation for an experimental period of up to eighteen months and may be cited as the "Lancashire County Council (Friargate, Heatley Street, Hill Street And Union Street, Preston, Preston City) (Prohibition Of Driving) Experimental Order 2025".

Dated this 11th day of April 2025

THE COMMON SEAL of the Lancashire County Council was hereunto affixed pursuant to the Scheme of Delegation to Heads of Service.

Authorised Signatory

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Schedule - Prohibition of Driving Except Pedal Cycles, and Permit Holders Between 6am and 11am.

- a) Friargate, Preston, from its junction with Union Street to its junction with Marsh Lane.
- b) Heatley Street, Preston, from a point 39 metres north east of its junction with Seed Street to its junction with Friargate.
- c) Hill Street, Preston, from a point 56 metres north east of its junction with Seed Street to its junction with Friargate.
- d) Union Street, Preston, from a point 65.5 metres south west of its junction with Market Street West to its junction with Friargate.

