

STATEMENT OF REASONS

**THE DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, DUMFRIES TOWN CENTRE)
(20 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT)
TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2022**

The Dumfries and Galloway Council as Traffic Authority consider it expedient to make The Dumfries and Galloway Council (Various Roads, Dumfries Town Centre) (20 Miles Per Hour Speed Limit) Traffic Regulation Order 2022 for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising; preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs; and facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

The permanent provision of a 20mph speed limit within Dumfries Town Centre will replace the existing temporary 20mph speed limit which has been in effect since 12 March 2021. This will alleviate the likelihood of danger to the public caused by the potential conflict and collision between vehicles, pedal cycles and pedestrians on the roads stated by traffic travelling at speeds in excess of the speed limit, revitalising our local economy, promoting community confidence by attracting the public back to the town centre and encouraging active travel by providing a lower speed limit and creating a safer environment for all road users including pedestrians, cyclists and vulnerable groups.

.....Proper Officer