

STATEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S REASONS FOR MAKING THE MIDLOTHIAN COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION ON WAITING, LOADING AND
UNLOADING ETC) (VARIATION NO 4) ORDER 2023 - TO/R5.3.91

Croft Street in Penicuik runs one-way southwards from West Street to Bridge Street. The carriageway is constricted especially because, in addition to the needs of residents to park their own vehicles on street since very few of the properties have garages or run-ins, this location is also used for parking by customers and visitors to nearby shops and services. In addition it appears that some commuters to Edinburgh park here during the day to catch buses to and from the city.

This situation creates acute difficulties for large vehicles, such as fire appliances and ambulances, bin collection lorries, removal and delivery lorries and vans, etc.

Residents have actively pressed the Council to take action to ameliorate the position. Following a well-attended public meeting in January 2023 at which initial proposals were considered, the Council advertised a proposed Order to apply double yellow line (all day, Monday to Sunday) waiting restrictions on various sections of Croft Street, and around the junction at Bridge Road where sight lines for emerging traffic are particularly poor.

Objections were received to some elements of that proposal as they affected the north section of Croft Street. Having considered these, the Council has decided that the advertised proposal for this section of Croft Street should be withdrawn to allow further consultation there.

Accordingly the Order which is now Made applies Double Yellow Lines just to the south section of Croft Street, including the junction at Bridge Street, as shown on accompanying plan R5.3.91/04.

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