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COUNTY COUNCIL OF AVON

(NEWGATE, CITY OF BRISTOL) (INNER ZONE)  
(RESERVED BUS LANE) ORDER 1993

The County Council of Avon (hereinafter referred to as "the Council") in exercise of its powers under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3) and 4(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1984") 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 of 1984, hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order shall come into operation on the 5th April 1993 and may be cited as the County Council of Avon (Newgate, City of Bristol) (Inner Zone) (Reserved Bus Lane) Order 1993.
2. (1) In this Order:-

"bus lane" means any area of the carriageway of that length of Newgate in the City of Bristol which extends from a point 30 metres north east of its junction with the north eastern kerbline of Union Street in a north easterly direction for a distance of 81 metres which is bounded on the north west side by a road marking complying with diagram 1049 in Schedule 2 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 1981 which runs parallel with the north western kerbline of that road and where that north western kerbline is broken by the junction of that road with another road or an accessway, by the line joining the said eastern and northern kerblines on either side of that junction and on the south east by a road marking complying with diagram 1049 in Schedule 2 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 1981, broken only by the gap opposite the junction of that road on its north western side with another road or an accessway, by a crossing for foot passengers marked on the road in accordance with Regulations made under section 25 of the Act of 1984, or by a street refuge;

"pedal cycle" means a bicycle, tricycle or cycle having four or more wheels, not being in any case a motor vehicle;

"public service vehicle" has the same meaning as in section 1(1)(a) of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981.

- (2) For the purposes of this Order a vehicle shall be deemed to wait for more than two minutes in the same place if any one part of the road is below any part of the vehicle or its load (if any) throughout a period exceeding two minutes whether or not the vehicle is moved during that period.

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3. Save as provided in Article 4 of this Order no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform or of a traffic warden, cause or permit any vehicle other than a public service vehicle or pedal cycle to enter, proceed or wait in the bus lane otherwise than for the purpose of crossing it.
4.
  - (1) Nothing in this Order shall render it unlawful for any person to cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in any direction in the bus lane so far as such entry or proceeding is reasonably necessary to enable the vehicle to be used for any of the purposes specified in paragraph (2) of this Article, or (save as provided in that paragraph) to wait in the bus lane for so long as may be necessary for any of those purposes.
  - (2) The purposes referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article are:-
    - (i) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;
    - (ii) police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes in an emergency.
  - (3) Nothing in this Order shall render it unlawful for any person to cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a north easterly direction in the bus lane so far as such entry or proceeding is reasonably necessary to enable the vehicle to be used for any of the purposes specified in paragraph (4) of this Article or (save as provided in that paragraph) to wait in the bus lane for so long as may be necessary for any of those purposes.
  - (4) The purposes referred to in paragraph (3) of this Article are:-
    - (i) in the service of any local authority, National Rivers Authority, a water undertaker or sewerage undertaker in pursuance of statutory powers or duties or in connection with the supply of gas or electricity or any telecommunication apparatus as defined in the Telecommunications Act 1984;
    - (ii) the avoidance of an accident;
    - (iii) the gaining of access to or egress from off-street loading or garaging premises adjacent to or accessible only from the bus lane, and
    - (iv) the boarding or alighting of any person:

Provided that such boarding or alighting does not cause the vehicle to wait in the same place for more than two minutes.



5. In so far as any provision of this Order conflicts with any provision of an Order made or having effect as if made under the Act of 1984 and which imposes a restriction or prohibition on waiting by vehicles or grants an exemption from such restriction or prohibition then that provision of this Order shall prevail.

Given under the Common Seal of the County Council of Avon the 23rd day of March 1993.

The COMMON SEAL of the  
COUNTY COUNCIL OF AVON  
was hereunto affixed  
in the presence of:-

*J. E. Orton*

County Solicitor and  
Deputy Clerk

