

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL'S POLICY ON MAKING TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS ON BYWAYS OPEN TO ALL TRAFFIC

- 1 Traffic Regulation Orders can be made by the County Council under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The County Council considers making Traffic Regulation Orders only as a last resort in line with Government advice set out in "Making the Best of Byways".
- 2 The County Council has a countywide assessment of all Byways Open to All Traffic in Surrey. This considers their current condition, spending on maintenance repair work within the last 10 years and evidence of vehicle related unlawful activity on or adjacent to the byway. The assessment indicates the principal problem is erosion caused by vehicles, which then presents difficulties and dangers to non-motor users.
- 3 The County Council's policy is:
 - that Traffic Regulation Orders be used pro-actively where a countywide assessment indicates a Byway Open to All Traffic is in poor condition, in need of significant repair and it is considered necessary to restrict traffic, coupled with programmes of repair as resources permit.
 - that where a countywide assessment indicates a Byway Open to All Traffic is in reasonable condition a Traffic Regulation Order be only made on grounds of significant danger to users of the route, or to prevent significant damage to the route.

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