

**TRAFFIC ORDER PROPOSALS:
CLOSURE OF THE GAP IN CENTRAL RESERVATION & NO ENTRY ON A3093 /
A303, ANDOVER
AND
7.5 TONNE WEIGHT LIMIT, COWDOWN LANE, ANDOVER**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Hampshire County Council (“the Council”) proposes to make two Orders, in exercise of its powers and duties under Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (“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 and having discharged its duty under section 122 of the Act.

GENERAL NATURE AND EFFECTS OF THE ORDERS:

Order 1 (A2172a) will be to:

- (i) prohibit driving through the gap in the central reservation at A3093 / A303 Westbound on-slip situated between a point 57 metres west of the centreline of Cowdown Lane and a point 16 metres east of the centreline of Cowdown Lane, an approximate distance of 73 metres.
- (ii) prohibit entry from Cowdown Lane onto the westbound carriageway of the A303 in a north-west direction. All vehicles proceeding from Cowdown Lane onto the A303 slip road will do so in a south-west direction.

Order 2 (A2172b) will be to prohibit Heavy Commercial Vehicles (any goods vehicle which has an operating weight exceeding 7.5 tonnes) to proceed on Cowdown Lane.

FURTHER DETAILS: A copy of this notice, the proposed order, a map showing the location and effect of the proposal and a statement of reasons may be viewed at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/publicnotices> or inspected during the usual office hours at the following places:

- (i) Andover Library, Chantry Centre, Andover, SP10 1LT (Opening hours: Monday & Wednesday – Saturday: 09.30 - 17.00; Tuesday: 09.30 - 13.30)
- (ii) Test Valley Borough Council, Andover Offices, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, Andover, SP10 3AJ (Opening hours: Monday – Thursday: 08.30 - 17.00; Friday: 08.30 - 16.30)
- (iii) Hampshire County Council Headquarters, The Castle, Winchester, SO23 8UJ (Opening hours: Mondays to Thursdays 8.30 – 17.15; Fridays 8.30 – 16.45)
- (iv) Copies of the draft order, plan and statement of reasons can also be obtained by e-mailing public.notices@hants.gov.uk or by writing to Traffic Orders Team, Safer Roads and Parking, Universal Services, 2nd Floor, Elizabeth II Court West, The Castle, Winchester SO23 8UD quoting reference: A2172a/KK or A2172b/KK

OBJECTIONS AND OTHER REPRESENTATIONS: All objections/other representations in respect of this proposal must be made in writing to The Castle, Winchester, SO23 8UD or email public.notices@hants.gov.uk quoting reference: A2172a/KK or A2172b/KK, by 17th July 2026. All objections must state the grounds on which they are made. Under the requirements of current access to information legislation, any statement you make to the Council in response to this Notice may be made available to the press and to the public, who would be entitled to take copies of it if they so wished.

TITLE: The orders, if made, will be known as:

Order 1 (A2172a): “The Hampshire (A3093 / A303, Andover) (Gap in Central Reservation) (Prohibition of Driving & No Entry) Order 2026”

Order 2 (A2172b): “The Hampshire (Cowdown Lane, Andover) (Prohibition of Heavy Commercial Vehicles) Order 2026”

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

THE HAMPSHIRE (A3093 / A303, ANDOVER) (GAP IN CENTRAL RESERVATION & NO ENTRY) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) ORDER 2026

Hampshire County Council in exercise of its powers and duties under Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 122 of the Act, and all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, hereby makes the following order:

1. In this order, and the preamble and schedule hereto:

“the Act” means the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984; and
“road” means any length of highway or any other length of road to which the public has access, and includes bridges over which a road passes.
2. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle proceeding in either of the carriageways of the A3093 / A303 in the Borough of Test Valley to enter or proceed through the gap in the central reservation specified in the Schedule I to this Order.
3. No person shall cause any motor vehicle proceeding in the road specified in column 1 of Schedule II to this order to enter the road specified in column 2 of that schedule
4. This order shall come into force on _____ 2026 and may be cited as “The Hampshire (A3093 / A303, Andover) (Gap in Central Reservation & No Entry) (Prohibition of Driving) Order 2026”.

GIVEN this _____ day of _____ 2026

THE COMMON SEAL of HAMPSHIRE)
COUNTY COUNCIL was hereunto affixed)
in the presence of:)

Authorised Signatory

SCHEDULE I

Road at Andover in the Borough of Test Valley Closure of Gap in Central Reservation

A3093 / A303 Westbound on-slip central reservation gap situated between a point 57 metres west of the centreline of Cowdown Lane and a point 16 metres east of the centreline of Cowdown Lane, an approximate distance of 73 metres.

SCHEDULE II

Roads at Andover in the Borough of Test Valley No Entry

Column 1

Column 2

Cowdown Lane

Northwest on A303 westbound slip-road

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT, 1984

THE HAMPSHIRE (COWDOWN LANE, ANDOVER) (PROHIBITION OF HEAVY COMMERCIAL VEHICLES) ORDER 2026

The Council in exercise of its powers and duties under Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 122 of 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 makes the following order:

1. In this order, and the preamble and schedule hereto:
 - “the Act” means the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;
 - “the Council” means Hampshire County Council;
 - “road” means any length of highway or any other length of road to which the public has access, and includes bridges over which a road passes, and;
 - “telecommunications apparatus” has the same meaning as in the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.
2. This order applies to a heavy commercial vehicle as defined in Section 138 (1) of the Act.
3. Save as provided in article 4 of this order, no heavy commercial vehicle shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform or of a traffic warden, proceed in any of the roads specified in the schedule to this order.
4. Nothing in article 3 of this order shall make it unlawful for a heavy commercial vehicle to proceed in any of the roads specified in the schedule to this order if the vehicle is being used:
 - (a) for or in connection with the conveyance of goods to or from any premises situated on or adjacent to any of those roads;
 - (b) for the purpose of agriculture on any land adjacent to any of those roads or for or in connection with conveyance or haulage of timber felled upon such land;
 - (c) for or in connection with the carrying out on, or on premises situated on or adjacent to, those roads of any of the following operations, namely:
 - (i) building, industrial or demolition operations;
 - (ii) the removal of obstructions to traffic;
 - (iii) the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of any of those roads;
 - (iv) the laying, erection, alteration or repair in, or in land adjacent to, any of those roads, of any sewer, or any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of water, gas, electricity or telecommunications apparatus;
 - (d) for fire and rescue service, police or ambulance purposes;

- (e) to proceed to or from any premises which are situated on or adjacent to any of those roads and at which the vehicle is to be, or has been garaged, serviced or repaired;
- (f) in the service of a local authority or water authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;
- (g) for or in connection with a circus, fair or similar event, the holding of which on, or in the vicinity of any of those roads has been authorised by the Council.

5. The Council is satisfied that for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the roads specified in the Schedule to this Order run, by restricting the use of those roads for heavy commercial vehicles, it is requisite that Section 3 (1) of the Act should not apply in relation to this order.

6. This order shall come into force on _____ 2026 and may be cited as “The Hampshire (Cowdown Lane, Andover) (Prohibition of Heavy Commercial Vehicles) Order 2026.”

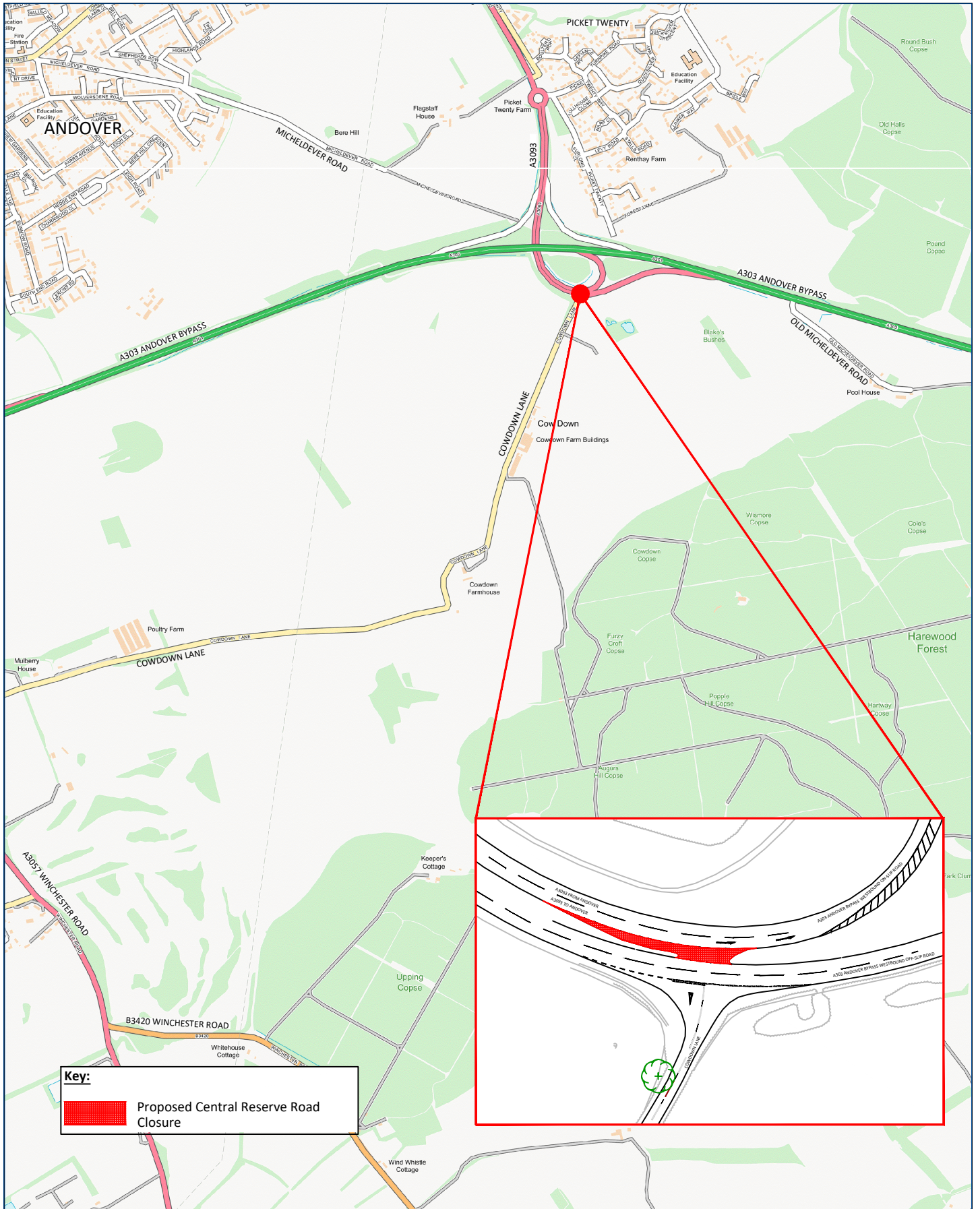
GIVEN this _____ day of _____ 2026


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Authorised Signatory

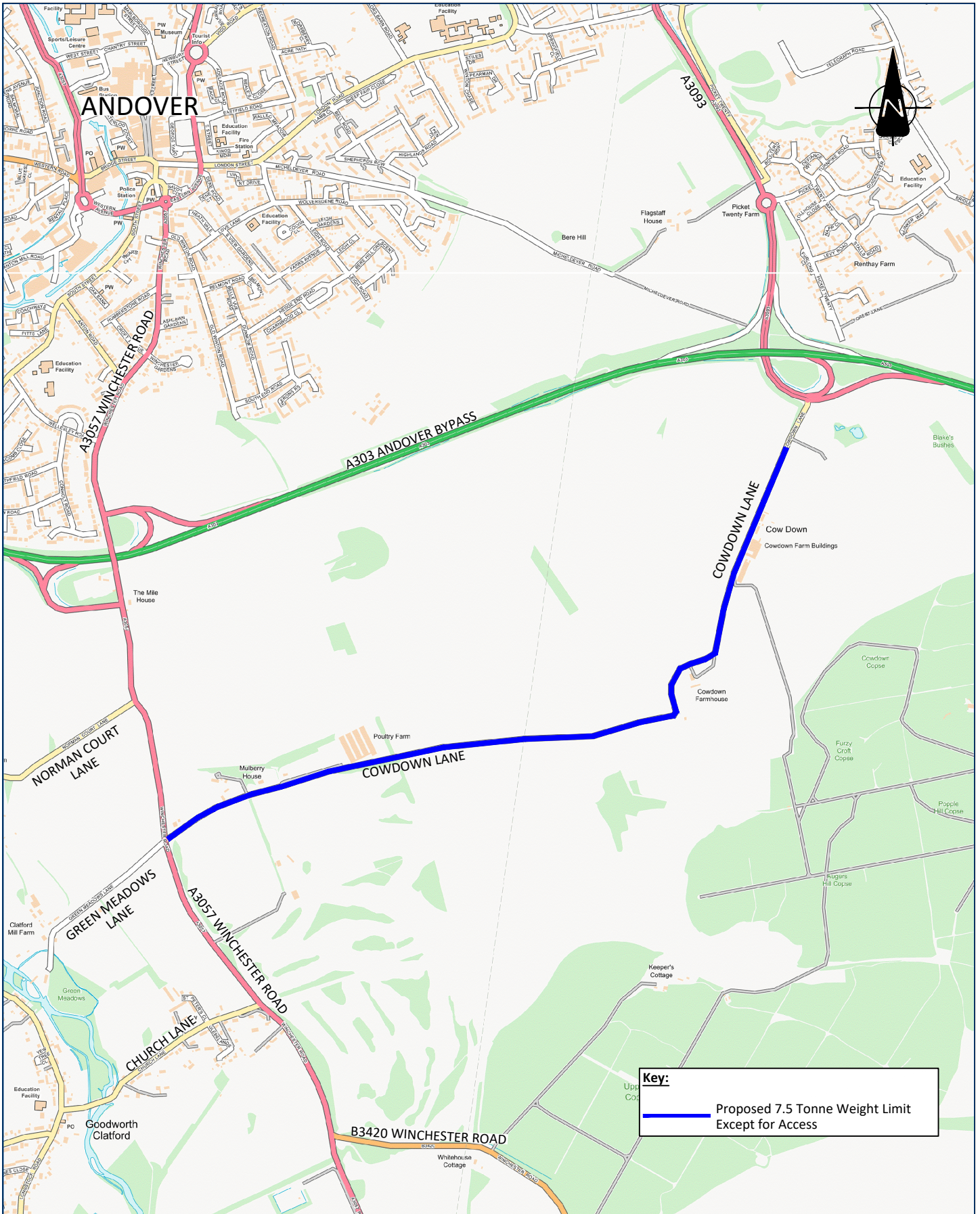
SCHEDULE


Cowdown Lane between a point 148 metres south of its junction with the A3093/A303 Andover Bypass Interchange and its junction with A3057 Winchester Road






Key:
 Proposed Central Reserve Road Closure

Client	Acorn Bioenergy					Rev.	Date	By	Chk	Description
	Project	Job	Drawing	Sheet	Revision	0	-	-	-	-
Project	Proposed Anaerobic Digestion Plant Cowdown Lane, Andover					Drawn	Date		Reference should be made to the project's drawing register to ensure the latest drawing is being referred to.	
	CW	16 01 26		Scale	N. T. S.	Checked	JC	Approved	TK	
Title	A3093 / A393 On-slip Central Reserve Gap Closure (Cowdown Lane) Proposed Road Closure Traffic Regulation Order					Status	PRELIMINARY			
							 traffic engineering and transport planning Armstrong House, The Flemington Centre, Beverley, East Riding of Yorkshire. HU17 0NW.			
						01482 679 911 info@ltp.co.uk www.local-transport-projects.co.uk Registered No. 5295328		  		10mm



Key:
 Proposed 7.5 Tonne Weight Limit Except for Access

Client	Acorn Bioenergy					Rev.	Date	By	Chk	Description
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local transport projects <i>traffic engineering and transport planning</i>						Armstrong House, The Flemington Centre, Beverley, East Riding of Yorkshire. HU17 0NW.		01482 679 911 info@ltp.co.uk www.local-transport-projects.co.uk Registered No. 5295328		  

**THE HAMPSHIRE (COWDOWN LANE, ANDOVER)
(PROHIBITION OF HEAVY COMMERCIAL VEHICLES) ORDER 2026**

AND

**THE HAMPSHIRE (A3093 / A303, ANDOVER) (GAP IN CENTRAL RESERVATION
& NO ENTRY) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) ORDER 2026**

Statement of Reasons

Cowdown Lane to the south of the A3093 is a long narrow rural road approximately 3.5m in width with several sharp bends which is subject to the national speed limit. Signs at either end of the route inform motorists of the route being a single track road without passing places. There are a number of commercial businesses on the eastern side at the northern end of the route including a day nursery. At the western end there are a number of residential properties and a farm on the northern side.

An anaerobic digestion plant is to be constructed on the western side of Cowdown Lane with its access approximately 150m south of the junction with the A3093. Access to the plant for heavy goods vehicles will be provided by a left in / left out junction with the A3093. Cowdown Lane with its narrow width and tight bends is unsuitable for use by heavy goods vehicles. To prevent the use of Cowdown Lane by heavy goods vehicles accessing or exiting the site to the southwest it is proposed that a 7.5 tonne weight limit except for access is introduced on the section of the route between the access to the anaerobic digestion plant and the A3057 Winchester Road.

To deter vehicles from joining the A303 westbound slip-road against the flow of traffic, this Order will also prohibit entry from Cowdown Lane onto the westbound carriageway of the A303 in a north-west direction. All vehicles proceeding from Cowdown Lane onto the A303 slip road will be directed to do so in a south-westerly direction.