## STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR PROPOSING TO MAKE

## THE BOROUGH OF STEVENAGE (PERMIT PARKING) ORDER 2018 (AMENDMENT NO 2) ORDER 2025

At present non-residential parking in Ivel Road, Green Street and parts of Woolners Way places these streets under a high level of parking pressure, with a significant effect on residents' quality of life. This is particularly the case for residents, including elderly residents, who do not have off-street parking and are reliant on regular care visits, which is impeded by the lack of available on-street parking. These reports were brought forward to us by residents through a petition signed by 46 households. Following an informal parking survey conducted by the Council with the residential dwelling of the above three streets, 88% of those who replied confirmed that they support a resident parking permit scheme. The residents were made aware from the start that parking permits/vouchers will be subject to fees.

This parking pressure also leads to the passage of the road being obstructed at times, particularly for larger vehicles such as lorries or fire engines.

This Order is therefore proposed to introduce "permit parking only" restrictions in Green Street, Ivel Road and parts of Woolners Way, Monday to Saturday 8.30am to 5.30pm, in order to facilitate the passage of traffic on the road, by preventing the parking pressure that causes obstructive parking to take place. It is also proposed to improve the amenity of the area by allowing residents and their visitors to access properties more reliably in the street by limiting non-resident parking at the times of peak demand.

Therefore, it appears to the Borough Council as the Order making Authority, having considered the duty imposed under Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, that it is necessary and expedient to make the Order in the interests of improving the amenity of the area, and avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the roads and for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising and for facilitating the passage on the roads of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).