STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR PROPOSING

THE BOROUGH OF STEVENAGE (STEVENAGE) (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2023

Following the redevelopment of Railway North Car Park adjacent to the Stevenage Railway Station, Stevenage Borough Council proposes to make the above Order. This will increase the parking capacity and ensure efficient use of all created parking bays including designated disabled parking spaces, motorcycle parking bays and electric vehicle parking spaces.

The effect of the Order will be to introduce a new multi-storey car park at the north of Railway Station in Stevenage and set new charges as specified in the Schedules of the Order.

This will allow the Council to encourage the use of the off-street parking places for short and long-stay parking and reduce the demand for on-street parking and circulating traffic seeking parking.

Therefore, it appears to the Borough Council as Order making Authority, having considered its duties under Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, that it is necessary and expedient to make the Order to update the management of parking places that are provided in the interest of preserving or improving the amenities of the area; and for the purpose of relieving or preventing congestion of traffic.