THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESBROUGH (ELECTRIC SCOOTER) EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2022

The Council of the Borough of Middlesbrough ("the Council") in exercise of its powers under Sections 9 and 10 and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") and of 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 make the following Order:-

- 1. This Order shall come into operation on the 10th day of November 2022 and may be cited as The Council of the Borough of Middlesbrough (Electric Scooter) Experimental Traffic Regulation Order 2022 and shall in accordance with Section 9(3) of the Act remain in force for a period of twelve months until the 9th day of November 2023.
- 2. (1) In this Order:-

"Electric Scooter" means an electric scooter as defined in the The Electric Scooter Trials and Traffic Signs (Coronavirus) Regulations and General Directions 2020 (or as otherwise amended) hired from a company authorised by the Department for Transport for the purpose of operating Electric Scooters within the Borough of Middlesbrough.

"Pedal Cycle" means a unicycle, bicycle, tricycle, or cycle having four or more wheels, not being in any case mechanically propelled unless it is an electrically assisted pedal cycle of such class as is to be treated as not being a motor vehicle for the purposes of the Act.

- 3.. Whilst this Order is in force The Council of the Borough of Middlesbrough (Traffic Movements) (Consolidation) Order 2022 (as amended) shall be varied by the addition of item (j) 'Electric Scooters' to Article 22 to permit Electric Scooters to travel in the bus lanes specified in Schedule 16 of that order and by the addition of item (d) 'Electric Scooters' to Article 25 to permit Electric Scooters to travel in the mandatory cycle lanes specified in Schedule 17 of that order
- 4. Electric Scooters shall not be permitted for use on the highway in the borough with a signed speed limit of 50mph or more.
- 5. Pursuant to Section 10(2) of the Act, the Council's Traffic Manager or any other person authorised by him may modify or suspend the operation of this Order or any provision of it if it appears to him essential:
 - a) in the interest of the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic;
 - b) in the interests of providing suitable and adequate on-street parking facilities; or
 - c) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which any road affected by this Order runs.
- 6. The restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation of any restrictions or requirements imposed by any regulations made or having effect as if made under the Act or by or under any other enactment.

THE COMMON SEAL of THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESBROUGH was hereunto affixed this [20⁴] day of [October] 2022 in the presence of

Authorised Officer

CATHERINE CUNNINGHAM