

STATEMENT OF REASONS

The A6091/A7 Trunk Road (Parkdail) (40mph Speed Limit) Order 2021

Following review of footway provision and the proximity and alignment of the carriageway of the A6091/A7 Trunk Road described below, Scottish Ministers wish to reduce risk to pedestrians and encourage greater participation in active travel. To achieve this, the Scottish Ministers propose to reduce the speed limit along that length of road to 40 miles per hour.

It is expected that this lower speed limit will indicate to drivers that increased pedestrian activity should be expected when compared to the sections of the A7 subject to the National Speed Limit.

The length of road affected is that length of the A6091/A7 Melrose – Galashiels – Carlisle Trunk Road at Hawick from a point 230 metres or thereby south of its junction with Buccleuch Road in a generally south westerly direction to a point 430 metres or thereby north of its junction with the B711, a distance of 1.1 kilometres or thereby.