



BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
(BEDFORD CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION
OF WAITING AND LOADING AND PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2017
(AMENDMENT NO.38)
ORDER 2026

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL ("the Council") in exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3) and 4(2) of, and Part IV of Schedule 9 to, the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended ("the Act") and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, 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 may be cited as the "Bedford Borough Council (Bedford Controlled Parking Zone) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) Order 2017 (Amendment No.38) Order 2026" and shall come into force on 15th June 2026.
2. Except where otherwise stated and referenced in this Order a number or Schedule is a reference to the Article or Schedule bearing that number in this Order.
3. Save as provided in Articles 4, 5 and 6 of this Order no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a Police Constable in uniform or a Civil Enforcement Officer as defined by the Traffic Management Act 2004, cause or permit any vehicle to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
4. (i) Nothing in Article 3 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit any vehicle to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order for so long as may be necessary to enable:-
 - (a) a person to board or alight from the vehicle; or
 - (b) the vehicle if it cannot conveniently be used for such purpose in any other road to be used in connection with any building operation or demolition, the removal of any obstruction to traffic, the maintenance improvement or reconstruction of any of the lengths of road so referred to or in the laying, erection, alteration or repair in or near the said lengths of road of any sewer or main pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or of any telegraphic line as described in the Telegraph Act 1878; or
 - (c) the vehicle to be loaded or unloaded while it is in actual use in connection with the removal of furniture from one office or dwelling house to another or the removal of furniture between such premises and its depository; or
 - (d) the vehicle if it is in the service of or employed by a universal service provider (as defined in Section 65 of the Postal Services Act 2011) to be used for the purpose of delivering and/or collecting postal packets (as defined in Section 125(1) of the Postal Services Act 2011); or

- (e) the vehicle to be used for fire brigade, ambulance, police or special forces purposes; or
 - (f) the vehicle if it cannot conveniently be used for such purposes in any other road to be used of a Local Authority in pursuance of Statutory Powers or duties; or
 - (g) the vehicle to wait at or near to any premises situated on or adjacent to the said lengths of road for so long as such waiting by that vehicle is reasonably necessary in connection with any wedding or funeral; or
 - (h) the person in control of the vehicle if required by law to stop, or if obliged to do so in order to avoid an accident, or if prevented from proceeding by circumstances beyond their control.
- (ii) Nothing in Article 3 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit any vehicle to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order for so long as may be necessary to enable goods to be loaded or unloaded from the vehicle.

5. As from the date upon which this Order comes into force any previous Order made under the Act which relates to waiting in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order shall be revoked in whole or in part as appropriate.

**THE COMMON SEAL of the
BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**

was hereunto affixed this
21st day of May 2026
in the presence of:



David Doorne
Solicitor
Service Manager (GPPL)
Legal Services
Bedford Borough Council



Authorised Signatory

SCHEDULE

1. To amend the location of parking bays on the length of road in Bedford as specified below: -

The effect of the proposed Order is to reposition two existing parking bays on River Street, as follows:

The Taxis Only Bay will be relocated to the position currently designated as a 15-minute Limited Waiting Bay (9am-9pm)/Goods Vehicles Loading Only Bay(9pm-9am)

The 15-minute Limited Waiting Bay (9am-9pm)/Goods Vehicles Loading Only Bay (9pm-9am) will be relocated to the position currently designated as a Taxis Only Bay.

A	River Street	New Restriction	Hours of Operation
(i)	On its eastern kerb, from a point approx. 12 metres southeast of the centre of Midland Road to a point approx. 25.6 metres south-east of the centre of Midland Road.	Taxis only.	All hours
(ii)	On its eastern kerb, from a point approx. 25.6 metres southeast of the centre of Midland Road to a point approx. 39.2 metres southeast of the centre of Midland Road.	Free parking limited to 15 minutes maximum, no return within 1 hour. Goods vehicles loading only.	9:00am – 9:00pm 9:00pm – 9:00am



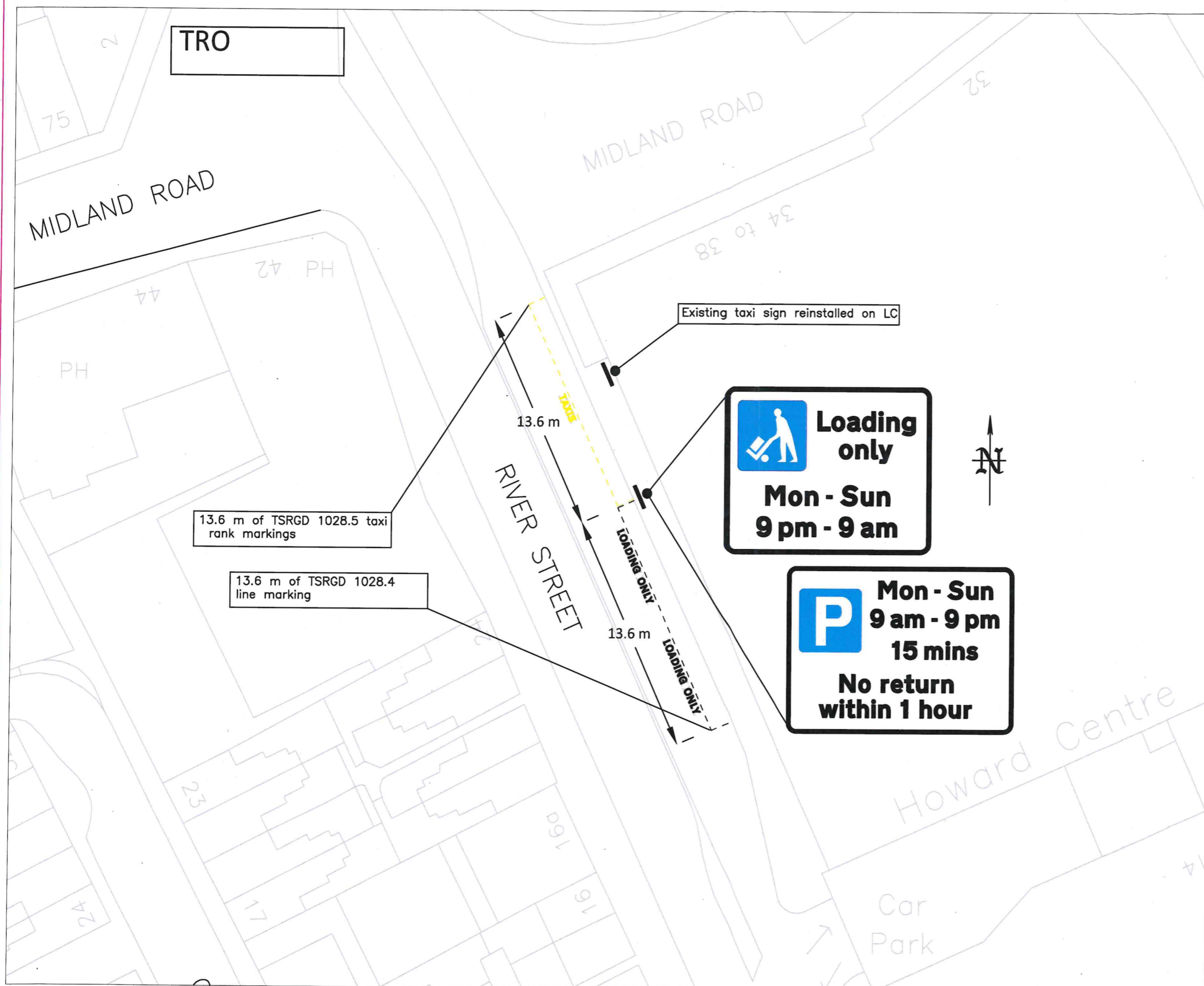
AUTHORITY FOR EXECUTION		
COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	MINUTE No.	DATE
DELEGATED POWER	By whom executed ENVIRONMENT	26/02/2026
	OFFICERS INITIALS	DATE
ORIGINATED AND CHECKED BY	DG	04/03/2026
APPROVED BY	AP	04/03/2026

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STATEMENT OF REASONS


The purpose of the Order is to improve existing restrictions within St Paul's Square and High Street, Bedford, as part of the wider Town Deal public realm improvement scheme.

Taxi bay and Loading Only/Time Limited bays to match on street markings



 **Loading only**
Mon - Sun
9 pm - 9 am

 **Mon - Sun**
9 am - 9 pm
15 mins
No return within 1 hour

26/03/2026	AMENDMENTS	REV	JB
 BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL			
BOROUGH HALL, CAULDWELL ST, BEDFORD, MK42 9AP Tel. (01234) 267422			
CLIENT Environment			
SCHEME River Street Parking Bays			
DRAWING TITLE River St- Bay Relocation			
DRG No. 1			
DRG STATUS TRO			
SCALE @ A3	DATE	DRAWN	CHECKED
NTS	27/3/2026	JB	AP

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