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1. Introduction

This document sets out processes that are adopted to carry out highway enforcement in Cambridgeshire. It identifies the areas in which Highway Enforcement would take place.

It forms part of the County Council's Highway Management document, which is divided into 3 volumes:

Volume 1 – Highway Policies and Standards

Volume 2 – Highway Infrastructure Asset Management Plan (HIAMP)

Volume 3 – Highway Enforcement

2. General

In the most serious cases the County Council will consider the use of enforcement powers. Any action that is taken will have been carefully considered and will be in line with the Council's Enforcement Policies.

The Enforcement Policies can be viewed below:

[Cambridgeshire County Council's Enforcement Policy.pdf \(81Kb\)](#)

The County Council's Enforcement Policies comply with the requirements of the following and should be read in conjunction with them:

[Regulators Compliance Code](#)

[Code for Crown Prosecutor.pdf \(127KB\)](#) (*Issue with link*)

[Enforcement Concordat.pdf \(19Kb\)](#) (*Issue with link*)

The Guidance Manual for the Cambridge Parking Scheme – Enforcement can be viewed via the link below

http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/download/downloads/id/2601/county_tma_enforcement_manual (*Issue with link*)

Street works Enforcement - Refer to national legislation

3. Areas for Enforcement

The County Council's powers of highway enforcement would be exercised should the following items be found not to be compliant with the policy outlined in Volume 1 of the Highway Management Document.

A Boards

Abandoned vehicles on the Highway

Banners on the Highway

Bollards and Marker Posts

Depositing materials on the highway

Encroachments and Obstructions
Horses on the Highway
Kerbing
Mirrors on the Highway
Mud on the Highway
Religious symbols on the Highway
Street Traders
Tables and Chairs
Vehicular Access
Vehicles for sale on the highway

Specific guidance is shown below (items 4 and 5 – in relation to unauthorised encampments and signs)

4. Unauthorised Encampments

Where an unauthorised encampment is situated on the public highway, including a Public Right of Way, the Asset Manager will liaise with and support the Travellers Liaison Officer in confirming that the encampment is on highway land and whether any action should be taken to achieve the removal of the encampment off the public highway.

Any decision to instruct Legal Services to serve notice on the travellers and to seek an appropriate court order will be made by the relevant Head of Local Infrastructure & Street Management in consultation with the Travellers Liaison Officer in accordance with the County Council's policy.

5. Unauthorised Signs

Advertising signs are not permitted on the highway. Highway Officers will take action when unauthorised signs along a road become a problem or in response to a complaint from a parish or town council or from other elected representatives.

Signs or 'A-boards' which interfere with the safe movement of road users will be removed without notice and stored for not less than four weeks. The owner may collect the sign(s) on payment of a fee. The signs will be disposed of if not collected after four weeks.