

CITY OF YORK COUNCIL
(YORK CITY CENTRE) (ANTI-TERRORISM TRAFFIC REGULATION)
ORDER 2026
STATEMENT OF REASONS

The anti-terrorism traffic regulation order is proposed in order to comply with a recommendation from the Chief Constable of Police for North Yorkshire to potentially control temporarily and occasionally the access/use of vehicles and/or movement of pedestrians on City centre streets as part of a package of measures aimed at improving the security of people in crowded places and protecting damage to buildings from a potential terrorist attack.

The Order would give to an officer of the North Yorkshire Police of the rank of Superintendent or above the power to restrict all or part of any City centre street at their discretion on the basis of a security assessment or intelligence of a threat. The discretion must be exercised in accordance with the Schedule and any agreed Protocol for the time being in force to ensure that any interference is proportionate and that such restrictions are for the minimum extent and for the minimum period necessary.