

## **Experimental Traffic Order Procedure**

Experimental orders may be made for up to 18 months to test a scheme before deciding to make it permanent or not. An authority must not vary or modify an order more than 12 months after it is made. If it wishes to do so it must follow the requirements for permanent orders.

In the case of Duffield Road the experimental order came into force on 5 March 2007. Alternative options were considered after a three month review of the scheme but it was recommended that the measures remained in place as originally promoted for further monitoring. A further review took place after 12 months and this recommended that the scheme be made permanent. The only other option considered was to withdraw the bus lane. Cabinet approved the permanent scheme on 2 September 2008 and the scheme was made permanent on 4 September 2008.