



Northumberland

County Council

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES

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Proposed 20 MPH Limit Restriction in Castlefields Drive Prudhoe

Cabinet Member: Glen Sanderson – Leader of Council

Purpose of Report

This report sets out the background to the proposed implementation of 20 MPH speed restriction in Castlefields Drive Prudhoe.

Recommendations

It is recommended the changes to the 20 MPH speed limit in Castlefields Drive Prudhoe and the surrounding area be introduced.

Link to Corporate Plan

Living - "We want you to feel safe, healthy and cared for"

Enjoying - "We want you to love where you live"

Learning - "We want you to achieve and realise your potential"

Key Issues

1. The changes to the 20 MPH speed limit in the Castlefields Drive area include Adderlane First School which, is in line with the County Council's current road safety policy.
2. This location would benefit from reduced vehicle speeds in the vicinity of Adderlane First School where Vulnerable Road Users (VRUs) are present.
3. The scheme is supported by County Councilor Stewart, Prudhoe Town Council and Adderlane First School.

Background

Introduction of 20 MPH Speed Restriction in Castlefield Drive and the surrounding area.

The introduction of the speed limit changes in the Castlefield Drive Area of Prudhoe forms part of the 2020/21 Local Transport Plan. This is part of the County Council's road safety initiative to introduce 20 MPH speed limits adjacent to all schools in Northumberland provided it is feasible to do so. Anecdotal evidence suggests that measures of this kind adjacent to schools provide a safer environment for all road users.



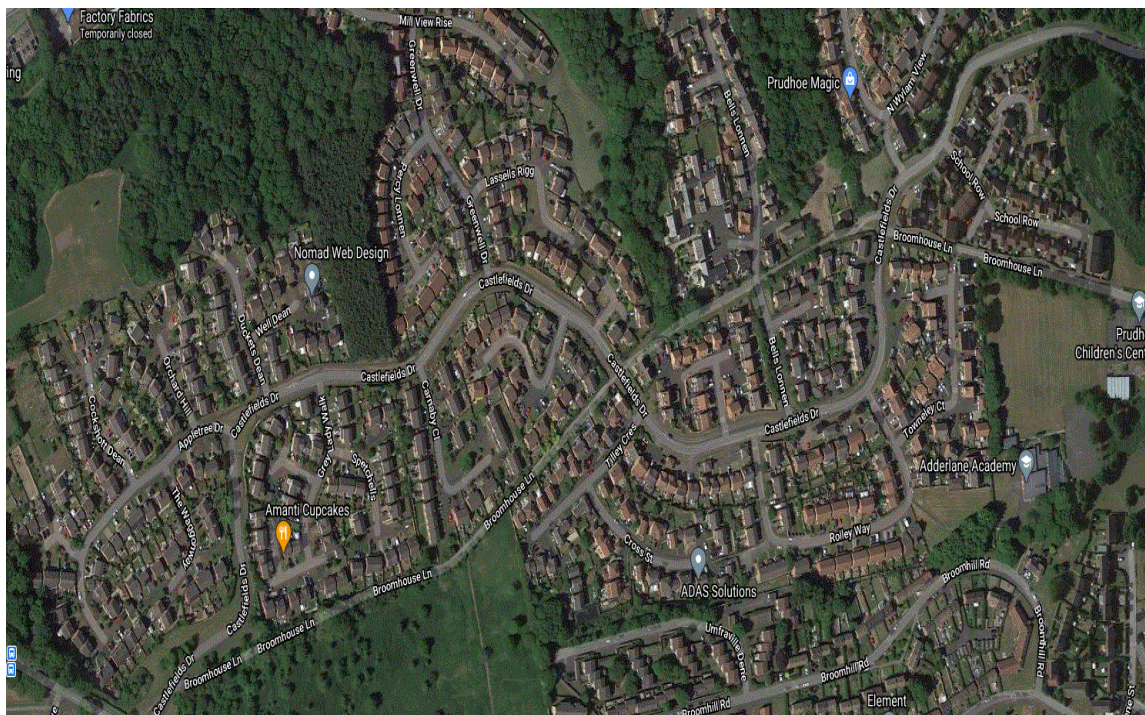
Entrance to Adderlane First School off Broomhouse Lane

The scheme has been expanded to include many of the streets adjacent to Castlefields Drive. This area has had previous issues with speeding traffic and many of the residential streets cater for pedestrians moving between their home and school.

The introduction of this scheme will complement the existing traffic calming measures undertaken on both Castlefields Drive and the adjacent Broomhouse Lane. It is anticipated these changes will have a positive impact on road safety in the area.



The junction of Castlefields Drive and Broomhouse Lane – Leading to Adderlane First School



Satellite view of Castlefields Drive and surrounding area

Details of the proposals are shown on the plan at Appendix A.

Council Officers have worked closely with County Councillor Stewart, Prudhoe Town Council and Adderlane First School on this scheme.

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Local canvassing of the scheme was undertaken by the County Councillor and via local forums

Northumbria Police, other emergency services and relevant statutory consultees will be notified of these amendments as part of the process for making the permanent Orders.

Delegated Decision

Implications Arising out of the Report

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| Policy | Consistent with existing policies |
| Finance and value for money | Scheme will be financed from the 2020/21 Local Transport Plan and County Councilor Stewarts Members Schemes capital allocation |
| Legal | Traffic Regulation Orders (reference TROM_216) |
| Procurement | Signage and road markings to meet Regulations for Traffic Regulation Orders |
| Human Resources | None |
| Property | None |
| Equalities (Impact Assessment attached) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A |
| Risk Assessment | N/A |
| Crime & Disorder | Speed limit schemes will reduce vehicle speeds and promote a safer environment in the area where the new speed limit are being introduced. |
| Customer Consideration | Residents in the area, parents and staff using the school will benefit from reducing vehicle speeds. |
| Carbon reduction | Reduced vehicle speeds can lead to reduced vehicle emissions and potential moving towards more sustainable forms of transport such as walking and cycling. |
| Wards | Prudhoe South |

Delegated Decision

Background papers:

File reference -

Appendix A – Scheme Plan/Location Plan -

Author and Contact Details

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DECISION TAKEN

Title of Officer: Service Director, Local Services.

Subject: Proposed implementation of 20 MPH Speed Restriction in the Castlefields Drive area of Prudhoe.

Consultation: Not required for the introduction of changes to speed limits adjacent to Adderlane First School on road safety initiative grounds. Local canvassing undertaken by County Councillor. The scheme is supported by the local County Councillor, Town Council, Adderlane First School and Northumbria Police.

Decision Taken: To introduce 20 MPH Speed Restriction in the Castlefields Drive area of Prudhoe.

Signature of Director

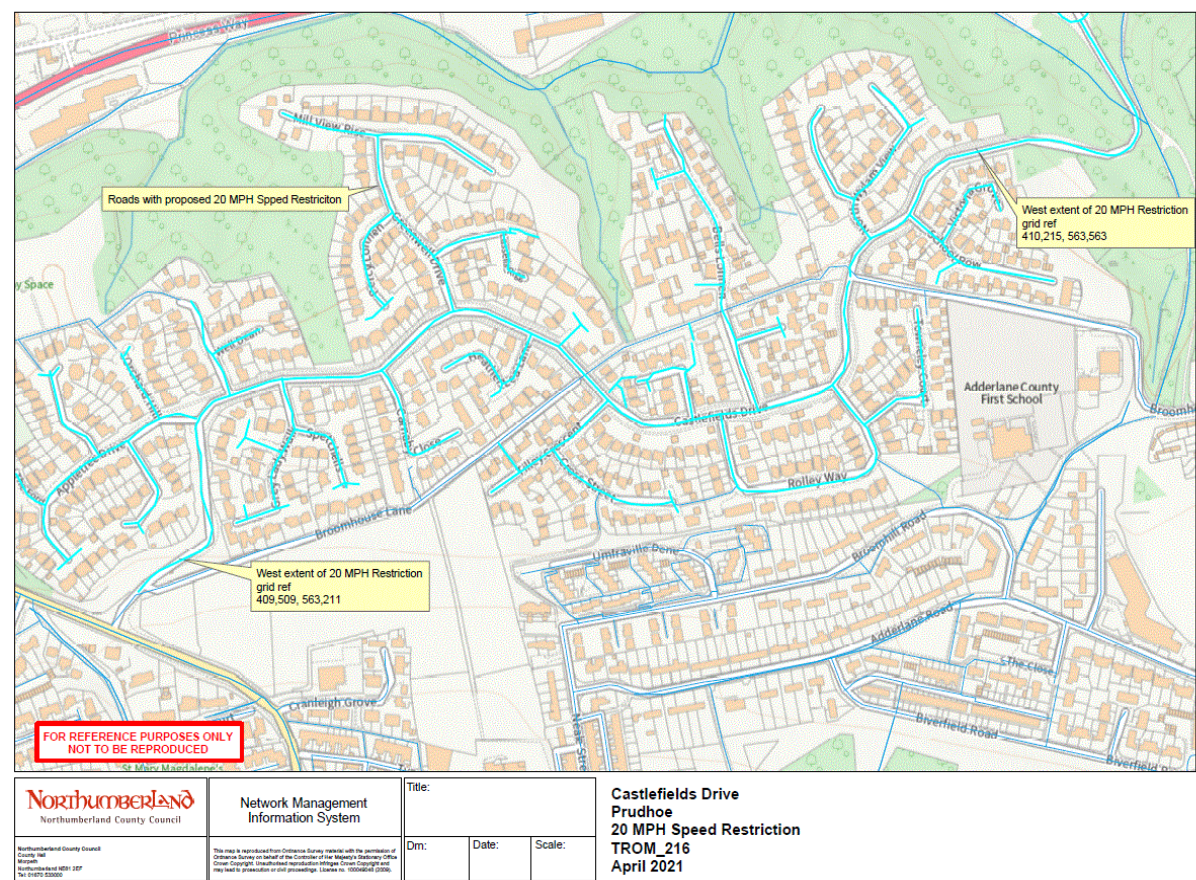


Date

23 March 2021

Appendix A - Scheme Plan/Location Plan

Location Plan



Scheme Plan (Note: A Pdf Scheme Plan will be added once signed)

Delegated Decision

