

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES

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Proposed A192 Barmoor Bank 40 MPH Speed Limit Restriction on a Permanent Basis

Cabinet Member: Glen Sanderson – Leader of Council

Purpose of Report

This report sets out the background to the proposed implementation of a 40 MPH speed limit restriction on the A192 Morpeth Stobhill to Barmoor Bank on a permanent basis, following an Experimental Order.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the proposed new 40 MPH speed limit restriction, A192 Morpeth Stobhill to Barmoor Bank 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. A Permanent TRO is required to continue enforcement following an Experimental TRO.
- 2. The scheme is supported by the Local County Councillor, Morpeth Town Council and Northumbria Police

Background

Following the introduction of a 40 MPH speed limit restriction on the A192 leaving Morpeth at Stobhill to Barmoor Bank on an Experimental basis, it is now proposed to make this restriction permanent. Thereby, allowing Northumbria Police to continue to carry out enforcement on a permanent basis.

The introduction of the Experimental Order is detailed in the following Decision Report which was signed off on 17th February 2017:- Proposal to extend existing 30 MPH speed limits and provision of new Pedestrian Crossing Point A192 Stobhill Morpeth – dated 2nd February 2017.

The 30 MPH speed limit was extended by way of the streetlighting regulations. A subsequent 40 MPH Speed limit was introduced by an Experimental Order TROM_070, to A192 Barmoor Bank. This provided continuity along the A192 south of Morpeth. It is proposed this 40 MPH speed limit section is now made permanent.



A192 South of Morpeth approaching Barmoor Bank



A192 North towards Morpeth - This "D" Restricted Section will become a permanent 40 MPH Speed Limit.

Details of the proposals are shown on the scheme plan - see Appendix A.

NCC Officers have worked closely with Northumbria Police, who have carried out a period of successful enforcement during the Experimental Order period.

There was no feedback recorded during the experimental period. However, Northumbria Police fully support the proposals to make the restrictions permanent.

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.

Implications Arising out of the Report

Policy	Consistent with existing policies
Finance and value for money	Scheme will be financed from the 2021/22 Local Transport Plan
Legal	Traffic Regulation Orders (reference TROM_220)
Procurement	Signage and road markings to meet Regulations for Traffic Regulation Orders
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities	N/A
(Impact Assessment attached)	
Yes □ No □ N/A □	
Risk Assessment	N/A
Crime & Disorder	40 MPH speed limit schemes will reduce vehicle speeds and promote a safer environment in the area where the speed limit is being introduced on a permanent basis.
Customer Consideration	All road users will benefit continue to 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	Morpeth Stobhill

Background papers:

File reference -

Decision Report - Proposal to extend existing 30 MPH speed limits and provision of new Pedestrian Crossing Point A192 Stobhill Morpeth – dated 2nd February 2017.

(A192 Morpeth Stobhill to Barmoor Bank 40 MPH Speed Restriction) Experimental Order 2017 – Ref: TROM_070

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Appendix A – Location Plan

Author and Contact Details

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DECISION TAKEN

Title of Officer:	Service Director, Local Services.
Subject:	Proposed implementation of a 40 MPH Speed limit restriction on the A192 Morpeth Stobhill to Barmoor Bank on a permanent basis, following an Experimental Order.
Consultation:	Consultation took place as part of the Experimental Order process and Statutory Consultees have been notified as part of the legal Permanent Order process.
Decision Taken:	The introduction of a 40 MPH Speed limit restriction on the A192 Morpeth Stobhill to Barmoor Bank on a permanent basis, following an Experimental Order.

Signature of Director

Date

9th June 2021

Appendix A - Location Plan

