



# Northumberland

## County Council

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Dear Sir/Madam,

### **Proposed Improvements to Bowes Street, Blyth**

Northumberland County Council has been awarded £750,000 funding for improvements in Blyth from the 'Towns Fund'. As part of this, the Council intends to implement the Bowes Street project which involves major improvements to the area.

The project will expand on work planned to develop Bowes Street that was originally put forward by Blyth Town Council, and will ensure that materials, design and connectivity bring it in line with plans submitted to the Government for the Market Place as a part of the Future High Street Fund (FHSF) application.

The scheme will include widening the footpaths, creating extra parking and introduce a one way system running from west to east. It will also involve improving the look and feel of Bowes Street and work will start in January 2021.

The proposals are shown on the enclosed plan and include:

- Removal of the block paving and replacement with tarmac.
- Wide footways that will allow room for social distancing.
- Removal of the brick planters.
- Removal of the 'Prohibition of Driving' order that prevents public access by car.
- Provision of short stay parking bays
- Provision to allow cyclists safe access.
- A one-way traffic system running west to east.
- New street lighting.
- Traffic calming features to slow traffic and make the area safer for pedestrians.
- Planting in the area around Wilkinsons

I am therefore writing to ask for your views on this proposal. If you wish to make comments please do so via email to: [HighwaysProgramme@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:HighwaysProgramme@northumberland.gov.uk)

Regrettably, it is not possible to reply to individual comments, but you may wish to note that comments may be included in a Decision Report to the Director of Local Services and may be available for public inspection.



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The closing date for any comments you may wish to make is **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2020**.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Yours sincerely,

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