



# Northumberland

## County Council

### RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR – LOCAL SERVICES

Paul Jones

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#### Off-Street Car Parks & On-Street Parking Restrictions – Amble

Cabinet Member: Councillor John Riddle

08 August 2022

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#### Purpose of Report

The following report sets out the background to the proposed amendments to off-street car park and on-street parking restrictions in Amble town centre.

#### Recommendations

It is recommended that the proposed amendments to the off-street car park restrictions and proposed new on-street parking restrictions are approved in order to improve vehicle turnover as well as improve road safety in the area.

#### Link to Corporate Plan

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

Enjoying - “We want you to love where you live”

#### Key Issues

1. The County Council has completed works to expand its existing off-street car park (Amble Town Centre Car Park) off Turner Street in Amble.
2. Changes to this car park are required in the form of Pay & Display parking and maximum lengths of stay, along with amendments to other car parks in the town centre to coincide with this.
3. On-street parking restrictions on Turner Street are also proposed to maintain the free flow of traffic in and out of the new car park entrance.
4. The scheme is to be funded by the Local Transport Plan (LTP) programme 2022/23.

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### Background

The County Council has recently undertaken work to expand the existing Amble Town Centre Car Park as part of its improvements to off-street car parks across Northumberland's main town centres. Provisions to the expanded facility include increasing car park spaces by approximately 93 bays (including 7 disabled bays, 6 electric vehicle only bays and cycle parking).

To coincide with this expansion to the car park located off Turner Street, further on-street parking restrictions are proposed along with amendments to the other off-street car parks within the vicinity.

### Proposals

#### Turner Street East Car Park

The formerly named Amble Town Centre Car Park will be replaced with Turner Street East Car Park. Tariffs for parking within this new car park are proposed to apply from 8am – 6pm and are designed to coincide with on-street parking restrictions in the vicinity giving provision for a first hour free stay and with private Harbour Commissioners car parks charges in Amble. The proposed charges are as follows:

- Up to 1 hour – free;
- Up to 2 hours – £1;
- Up to 3 hours - £1.50;
- All day - £3.

Motorists will be permitted to park for a maximum stay of 72 hours and must not return within 6 hours of leaving the car park. Whilst these limited waiting restrictions are to apply for all bays, Blue Badge holders may park free of charge when displaying a valid blue badge. Details of the new Turner Street East Car Park can be found on the plans in Appendix A.

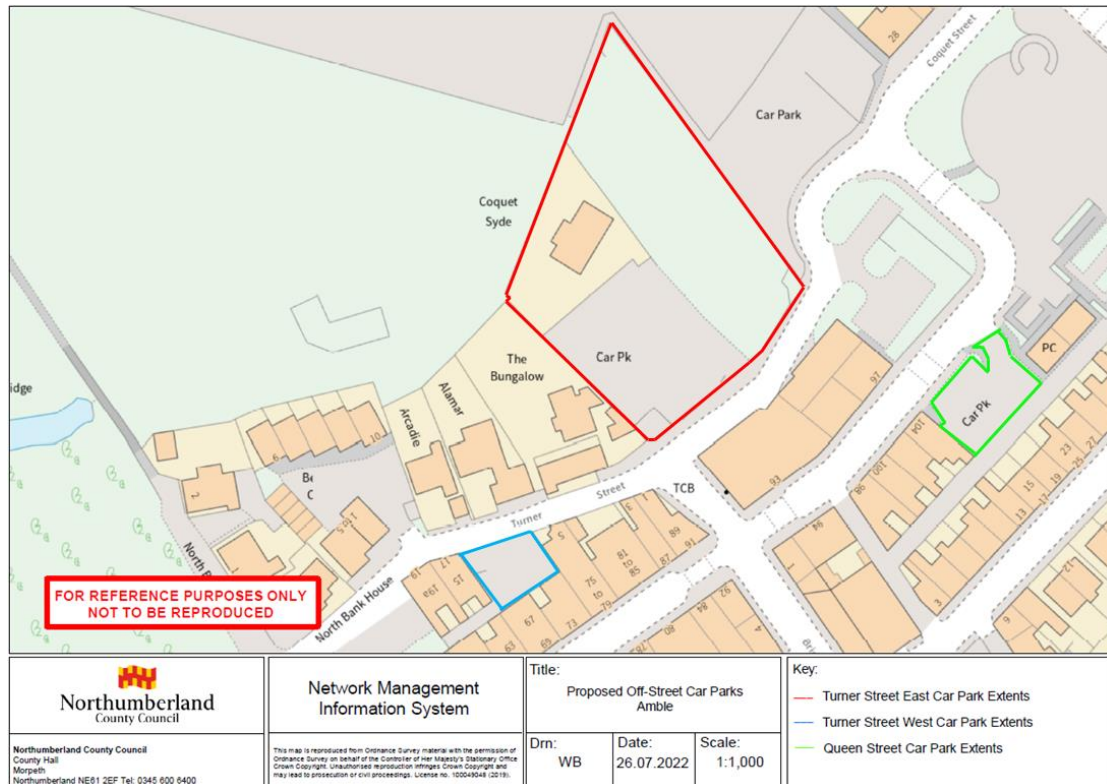
#### Turner Street West Car Park

Turner Street Car Park, which is situated slightly west of the aforementioned new off-street car park, is to be renamed Turner Street West Car Park in order to distinguish between both sites along the same road. The existing restrictions within this car park are to remain the same as is currently applied.

#### Queen Street Car Park

Due to the new restrictions in Turner Street East Car Park providing long-stay parking within the town centre, it is proposed to reduce the maximum length of stay from 4 hours with no return within 5 hours restriction to 1 hour maximum stay with no return within 2 hours. This will allow for improved vehicle turnover within the town centre in order to support local businesses.

A location plan of the proposed off-street car parks to be amended in Amble town centre is outlined in Figure 1 below.



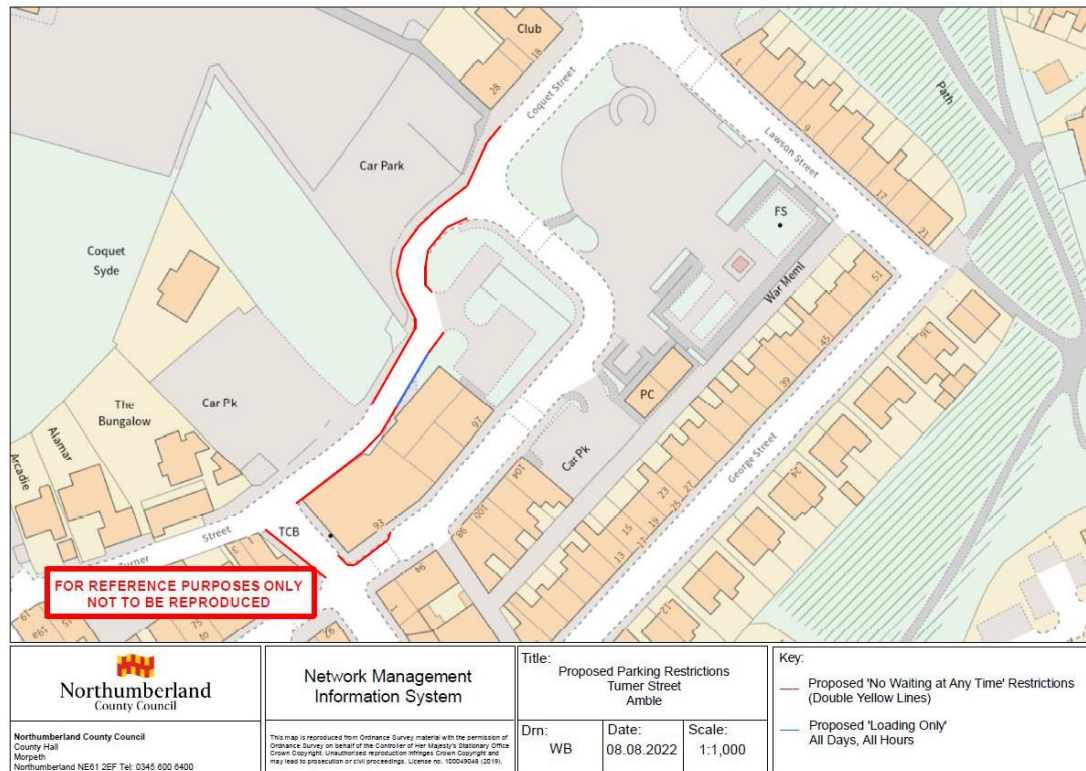
**Fig. 1: Off-street car parks location plan, Amble**

## Turner Street On-Street Parking Restrictions

New 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions in the form of double yellow lines are proposed adjacent to the Turner Street East Car Park entrance/exit in order to prohibit and discourage parking which could otherwise impact on forward visibility for motorists accessing the car park. They are also included at junctions leading to the car park so that the free flow of traffic can be maintained.

In order to accommodate the needs of local businesses in the area, a loading bay is proposed to be introduced on the south side of Turner Street so that deliveries can still be carried out without having an adverse impact on road safety. The exact location of the proposed waiting and loading restrictions can be observed in Figure 2 below.

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**Fig. 2: On-street parking restriction proposals at Turner Street and adjoining areas, Amble**

Any existing on-street parking restrictions not presented on the above plan are to remain as they currently operate.

Overall, it is expected that the new restrictions will improve off-street parking facilities as a whole within Amble town centre for all residents and visitors to the area, as well as discouraging obstructive and indiscriminate parking on Turner Street. Northumbria Police, other emergency services and relevant statutory consultees will be notified of these amendments as part of the process for making the permanent Traffic Regulation Orders.

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### Implications Arising out of the Report

<b>Policy</b>	Consistent with existing policies
<b>Finance and value for money</b>	Scheme is to be financed through the LTP 2022/23 programme
<b>Legal</b>	Motorists will be required to comply with the Traffic Regulation Orders
<b>Procurement</b>	Signage and road markings to meet Regulations for Traffic Regulation Orders
<b>Human Resources</b>	None
<b>Property</b>	None
<b>Equalities</b> (Impact Assessment attached) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	None
<b>Crime &amp; Disorder</b>	Regulations in place to carry out enforcement
<b>Customer Consideration</b>	Statutory consultees have been informed
<b>Carbon reduction</b>	None
<b>Wards</b>	Amble

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### **Background Papers:**

File reference – S:\Highways\PROJECT\19\FC Parking Schemes\FC190026  
Turner Street Amble

Appendix A – Scheme Layout

### **Author and Contact Details**

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### DECISION TAKEN

**Title of Officer:** Service Director, Local Services

**Subject:** Proposed off-street car park and on-street parking restrictions in Amble.

**Consultation:** Statutory consultees will be notified of the proposals.

**Decision Taken:** To introduce new off-street and on-street parking restrictions in Amble town centre.

Signature of Director



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**Date**  
09 August 2022

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ROAD MARKINGS AND TRAFFIC SIGNS PLAN  
SCALE 1:250

Contract Drawing No.: 08 Drawing No.: A1

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**NOTES:**

**1.0 GENERAL**

1.1 ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETRES (mm) UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE

1.2 PROPOSED ROADWORKS MARKINGS BY DIMENSIONS 2.0 X 4.0 M

**2.0 TRAFFIC SIGNS**

2.1 NEW TRAFFIC SIGNS TO COMPLY WITH BS EN 12899-1:2004, AND NATIONAL SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR SIGNAGE IN URBAN ENVIRONMENTS. SIGNS TO BE SUPPLIED BY THE CONTRACTOR AND TO BE INSTALLED BY THE CONTRACTOR. SIGNS TO BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE TRAFFIC SIGNS REGULATIONS 2002 (SI 2002/1091) AND THE TRAFFIC SIGNS REGULATIONS 2002 (SI 2002/1091) AND THE TRAFFIC SIGNS REGULATIONS 2002 (SI 2002/1091).

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**3.0 ROAD MARKINGS**

3.1 NEW ROADWORKS TO BE WHITE THERMOPLASTIC SCREENED WITH APPLIED SOLID GLASS BEADS

3.2 ROAD MARKINGS TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CLAUSE 212 OF BS EN 14830-1:2004 (THERMOPLASTIC SCREENED WITH APPLIED SOLID GLASS BEADS) AND THE TRAFFIC SIGNS REGULATIONS 2002 (SI 2002/1091) AND THE TRAFFIC SIGNS REGULATIONS 2002 (SI 2002/1091) AND THE TRAFFIC SIGNS REGULATIONS 2002 (SI 2002/1091).

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3.4 THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROTECTION OF ALL EXISTING UTILITIES AND SERVICES AND FOR THE PROTECTION OF ALL EXISTING ROADWORKS AND SIGNAGE.

**4.0 WHEEL STOPS**

4.1 WHEEL STOPS TO BE SECTION RECYCLED PLUMBER PAVING BRICKS, YELLOW/BLACK IN COLOUR, 1.8m IN LENGTH OR SIMILAR APPROVED. THEY SHALL BE INSTALLED 1.0m FROM THE BOUNDARY WALL WITH THE BOUNDARY.

**KEY**

- PROPOSED ROAD MARKINGS IN WHITE THERMOPLASTIC SCREENED WITH APPLIED SOLID GLASS BEADS
- PROPOSED ROAD MARKINGS IN YELLOW THERMOPLASTIC SCREENED WITH APPLIED SOLID GLASS BEADS
- PROPOSED WHEEL STOPS
- PROPOSED TRAFFIC SIGN ON PROPOSED POST
- PROPOSED TRAFFIC SIGN ON EXISTING POST

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**ROAD MARKINGS AND TRAFFIC SIGNS PLAN**

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