



# Northumberland

## County Council

### **RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES**

**Paul Jones**

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### **Newsham Primary School Blyth 20 MPH Speed Limit**

**Cabinet Member: Councillor John Riddle**

**26 January 2023**

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### **Purpose of Report**

This report sets out the background to the proposal to introduce a 20 MPH speed limit in the vicinity of Newsham Primary School in Blyth.

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the 20 MPH speed limit adjacent to Newsham Primary School in Blyth is introduced as proposed.

### **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 County Council has received concerns regarding traffic speeds in the residential streets near Newsham Primary School in Blyth.
2. The provision of a 20 MPH speed limit adjacent to Newsham Primary School aligns with the County Council's current policy.
3. The scheme is supported by the local County Councillor and school representatives.
4. The scheme is to be funded by the 2022/23 Local Transport Plan (LTP) programme.

# Delegated Decision

## Background

The introduction of speed limit changes on the streets adjacent to Newsham Primary School in Blyth forms part of the 2022/23 Local Transport Plan. The scheme ties in with the County Council's road safety initiative to introduce reduced speed limits adjacent to all schools in Northumberland provided it is feasible to do so. Evidence suggests that measures of this kind adjacent to schools provide a safer environment for all road users.

Concerns have been raised regarding vehicles speeding through the roads situated outside of the school, which presents road safety issues for pedestrians such as schoolchildren, cyclists and those navigating through the route with the risk of collisions occurring.

As a result, a 20 MPH speed limit is proposed to be introduced on Warwick Street in order to alleviate these concerns and covers the area identified below in Figure 1.

On Winship Street, advisory 20 when lights flash signage will be provided to notify motorists that the speed should be significantly reduced during school start and end times. The measures will consist of new regulatory traffic signs along with road markings in the form of roundels at the entrance of the estate to indicate the new speed limit.



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**Fig 1: Proposed 20 MPH speed limit extents at Newsham Primary School, Blyth**

Details of the overall scheme proposals can be found in Appendix A. They are intended to increase road safety by reducing speed limits and to protect the amenity of the area overall. 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.

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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 will be financed through the LTP 2022/23 programme
<b>Legal</b>	Motorists will be required to comply with the Traffic Regulation Order
<b>Procurement</b>	None
<b>Human Resources</b>	None
<b>Property</b>	None
<b>Equalities</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	The proposal is designed to reduce the risks associated with driving at speed
<b>Crime &amp; Disorder</b>	Regulations in place to carry out enforcement
<b>Customer Consideration</b>	A reduction in speed will lead to a safer environment for all road users
<b>Carbon reduction</b>	Speed reduction assists with carbon reduction
<b>Ward</b>	Newsham

## **Delegated Decision**

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### **Background Papers**

File reference – S:\Highways\PROJECT\21\HE Minor Improvements\HE213565D – Newsham Primary School Blyth

Appendix A – Scheme Plan

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## Delegated Decision

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### DECISION TAKEN

<b>Title of Officer</b>	Service Director, Local Services
<b>Subject</b>	Proposed 20 MPH Speed Limit at Newsham Primary School, Blyth
<b>Consultation</b>	Not required – NCC policy is to introduce 20 MPH speed limits at all schools provided it is feasible to do so. However statutory consultees have been informed.
<b>Decision Taken</b>	To introduce a new 20 MPH speed limit at Newsham Primary School in Blyth

Signature of Director



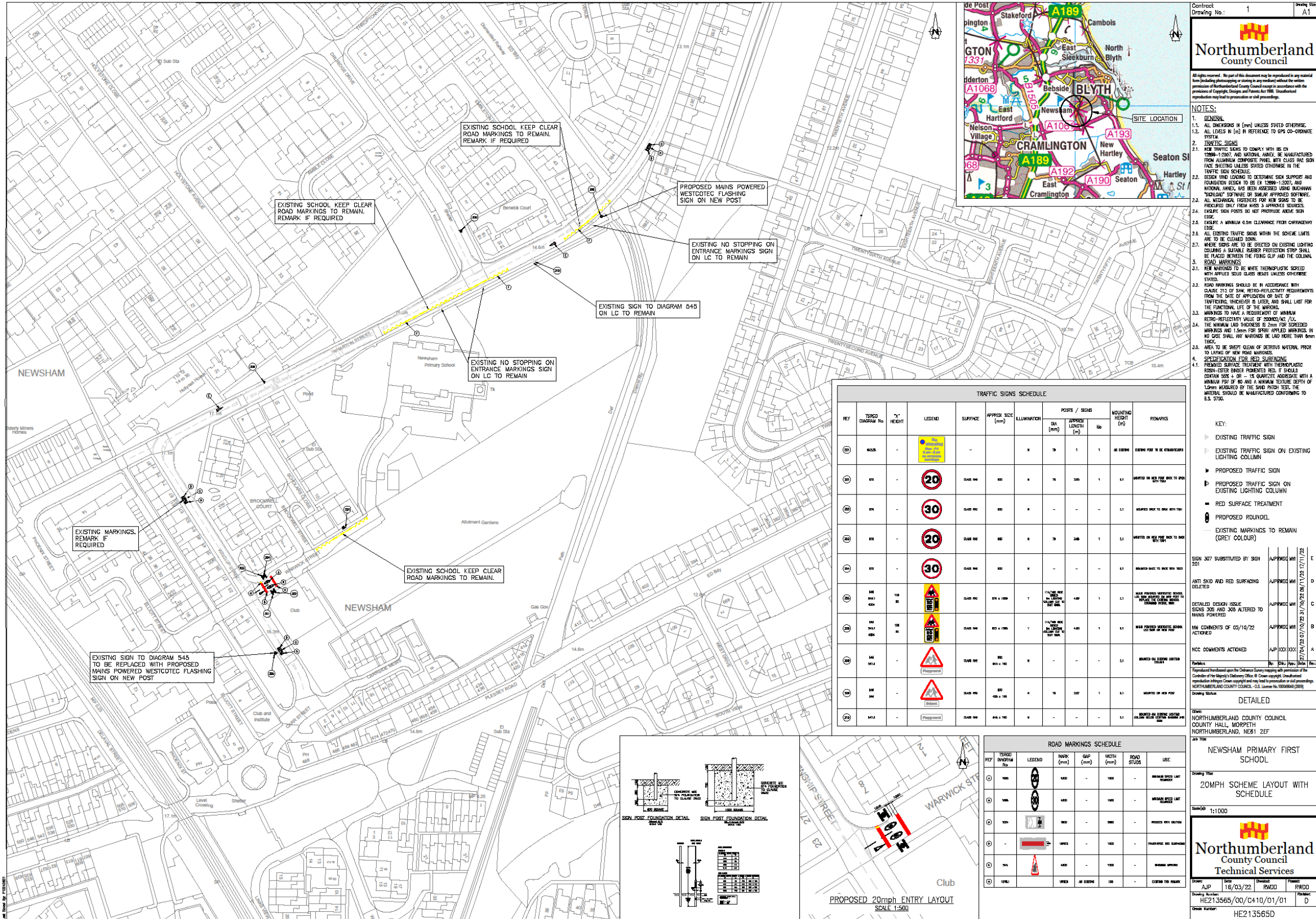
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Appendix A – Scheme Plan



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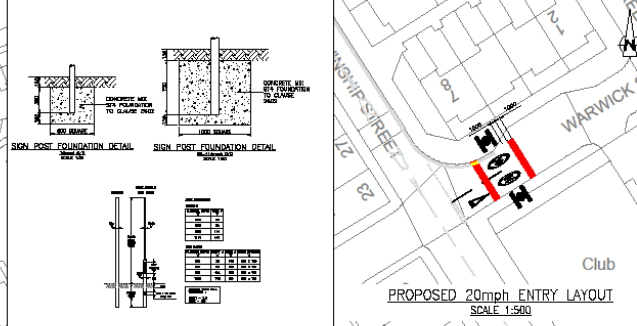
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- NOTES:**
1. GENERAL
    - 1.1. ALL DIMENSIONS IN (mm) UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE.
    - 1.2. ALL LEVELS IN (m) IN REFERENCE TO EPS CO-ORDINATE SYSTEM.
  2. TRAFFIC SIGNS
    - 2.1. NEW TRAFFIC SIGNS TO COMPLY WITH BS EN 12899-1:2007 AND NATIONAL MODEL. BE MANUFACTURED FROM ALUMINIUM COMPOSITE PANEL WITH CLASS III SIGN FACE SHEETING UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE IN THE TRAFFIC SIGN SCHEDULE.
    - 2.2. DESIGN AND LOCATING TO DETERMINE SIGN SUPPORT AND FOUNDATION DESIGN TO BS 11 1999-1:2007, AND NATIONAL MODEL, AND BEEN APPROVED USING 'ROADWAY' SOFTWARE OR SIMILAR APPROVED SOFTWARE. ALL NECESSARY DIMENSIONS FOR NEW SIGNS TO BE PROVIDED ONLY FROM A SIGN APPROVAL SURVEYOR.
    - 2.3. EXISTING SIGN POSTS DO NOT PROVIDE ADEQUATE SIGN EASE.
    - 2.4. ENSURE A MINIMUM 0.5m CLEARANCE FROM OVERHEAD POWER LINES.
    - 2.5. ALL EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGNS WITH THE SIGNAGE LIMITS ARE TO BE CLEANED DOWN.
    - 2.6. WHERE SIGNS ARE TO BE ERECTED ON EXISTING LIGHTING COLUMNS A SUITABLE RUBBER PROTECTION STOP SHALL BE PLACED BETWEEN THE FIXING CLIP AND THE COLUMN.
  3. ROAD MARKINGS
    - 3.1. NEW MARKINGS TO BE WHITE THERMOPLASTIC SPOILED WITH ADEQUATE SOLID BEAN UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.
    - 3.2. SIGN MARKINGS SHOULD BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CLAUSE 21.2 OF SIGN, RETRO-REFLECTIVITY REQUIREMENTS FROM THE DATE OF APPLICATION OF DATE OF TENDERING. UNLESS IS LATER AND SHALL LAST FOR THE FUNCTIONAL LIFE OF THE MARKING.
    - 3.3. MARKINGS TO HAVE A REQUIREMENT OF MINIMUM RETRO-REFLECTIVITY VALUE OF 200cd/m<sup>2</sup>/lx.
    - 3.4. THE MINIMUM LINE THICKNESS IS 2mm FOR SPOILED MARKINGS AND 1.5mm FOR SPREAD APPLIED MARKINGS. IN NO CASE SHALL ANY MARKINGS BE LAD MORE THAN 8mm THICK.
    - 3.5. AREA TO BE SHEET CLEAN OF DEBRIS MATERIAL PRIOR TO LAYING OF NEW ROAD MARKINGS.
  4. SPECIFICATION FOR ROAD SURFACING
    - 4.1. PREPARED SURFACE TREATMENT WITH THERMOPLASTIC ROAD-TO-ROAD SURFACE PROMOTED. IT SHOULD COMPLY WITH BS 5911-1:2002 AND SHALL BE APPLIED WITH A MINIMUM PSF OF 60 AND A MINIMUM TEXTURE DEPTH OF 1.0mm MEASURED BY THE SAND PITCH TEST. THE MATERIAL SHOULD BE MANUFACTURED CONFORMING TO BS 5750.

REF	TRAFFIC SIGN No	TYPE	HEIGHT	LEGEND	SURFACE	APPROX SIZE (mm)	ILLUMINATION	POSTS / SIGNS	QUANTITY	REMARKS
001	W43A	-	-	[Sign Icon]	-	-	-	1	1	AS EXISTING
002	W20	-	-	[Sign Icon]	CLASS III	800	-	1	1	AS EXISTING
003	W30	-	-	[Sign Icon]	CLASS III	800	-	-	-	AS EXISTING
004	W20	-	-	[Sign Icon]	CLASS III	800	-	1	1	AS EXISTING
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007	W43A	-	-	[Sign Icon]	CLASS III	800	-	1	1	AS EXISTING
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020	W43A	-	-	[Sign Icon]	CLASS III	800	-	1	1	AS EXISTING

- KEY:**
- EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGN
  - EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGN ON EXISTING LIGHTING COLUMN
  - PROPOSED TRAFFIC SIGN
  - PROPOSED TRAFFIC SIGN ON EXISTING LIGHTING COLUMN
  - RED SURFACE TREATMENT
  - PROPOSED ROUNDLET
  - EXISTING MARKINGS TO REMAIN (GREY COLOUR)
- MIN COMMENTS OF 05/10/22 ACTIONED
- NCC COMMENTS ACTIONED
- DATE: 16/03/22
- PROJECT: HE213565/00/C410/01/01
- SCALE: 1:1000



REF	TRAFFIC SIGN No	LEGEND	MARK (mm)	GAP (mm)	WIDTH (mm)	ROAD STATUS	LEIC
001	W43A	[Sign Icon]	100	-	100	-	MINIMUM BESS LAY PLACED
002	W20	[Sign Icon]	100	-	100	-	MINIMUM BESS LAY PLACED
003	W30	[Sign Icon]	100	-	100	-	MINIMUM BESS LAY PLACED
004	W20	[Sign Icon]	100	-	100	-	MINIMUM BESS LAY PLACED
005	W30	[Sign Icon]	100	-	100	-	MINIMUM BESS LAY PLACED
006	W20	[Sign Icon]	100	-	100	-	MINIMUM BESS LAY PLACED
007	W30	[Sign Icon]	100	-	100	-	MINIMUM BESS LAY PLACED
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