

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LOCAL SERVICES

PROPOSED EXTENSION OF 30MPH SPEED LIMIT – U9056 WHALTON

Purpose of report:

To consider the results of the consultation exercise, regarding the proposed 30mph speed limit extension on the U9056 in Whalton.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that in view of the consultation exercise, the 30mph speed limit should be extended as proposed.

Key issues

- 1) Scheme being funded by Oakland Homes North East Ltd (developer of Whalton Manor Dairy).
- 2) The 30mph speed limit extension has been requested as a planning condition.

Report Author

Andrew Douglas
(01670) 623861

Andrew.Douglas2@northumberland.gov.uk

BACKGROUND

- 1) In 2014, planning permission was approved to develop the Whalton Manor House Dairy site, Whalton. As part of a Road Safety Audit, recommendations were made to extend the existing 30mph speed limit, to ensure that the development was within this limit.
- 2) In April 2014, funds were secured from the developer in order to carry out those necessary works.
- 3) The proposed 30mph speed limit extension was the subject of a consultation letter to approximately 30 statutory consultees, including the emergency services and various disabled and transport associations/organisations. A plan showing the proposals is attached together with a copy of the consultation letter (see Appendix A)

CONSULTATION

- 4) The consultation exercise ended on 21st January 2015 and responses were received from 3 consultees, all in favour of the proposals. A summary of the responses is attached as Appendix B.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5) It is recommended that in view of the results of the consultation exercise, together with the requirement of the planning application, the 30mph Speed Limit should be extended as proposed.

APPENDIX INDEX

Appendix A – Consultation Letter and Plan

Appendix B – Summary of Consultation Responses

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Road Traffic Act 2004

Local Government Act 2000

File Ref: RT140028 – Scheme Folder

Planning Application

IMPLICATIONS ARISING OUT OF THE REPORT

Policy:	Consistent with existing policies
Finance and value for money:	Scheme will cost approximately £3500 and will be financed by the developer
Human Resources:	None
Property	None
Equalities	30mph Speed Limit extension will reduce vehicle speeds in the area.
Risk Assessment	Residential area, route to schools, speeding traffic and associated visibility issues.

Crime & Disorder

Scheme will reduce vehicle speeds and promote a safer environment.

Customer Considerations

Residents will benefit from reduced vehicle speeds.

**Sustainability
Consultation**

None

Whalton Parish Council, the emergency services, all affected residents and interested road user organisations were consulted together with the County Councillor for the area.

Wards

Ponteland East and Stanington

DECISION TAKEN

Title of Executive Member and Executive Director:

Executive Director of Local Services, Barry Rowland
Executive Member, Ian Swithenbank, Streetcare and Environment

Subject:

Proposed 30mph Speed Limit Extension – U9056
Whalton

Consultation:

3 Responses:
3 For
0 Against

Decision Taken:

To approve the 30mph Speed Limit Extension as proposed.

Signature of Executive Director



Date

5/8/15

APPENDIX 1 – COPY OF CONSULTATION LETTER AND PLAN

County Hall • Morpeth • Northumberland • NE61 2EF
• Web: www.northumberland.gov.uk

The Occupier

Our Ref: RT140028
Your Ref:
Contact: Mr Andrew Douglas
Direct Line: 01670 623861
Fax: 01670 626136
E-mail: Andrew.douglas2@northumberland.gov.uk
Wednesday 10th December 2014

Dear Sir,

Proposed 30mph Speed Limit Extension – U9056 Whalton

I am writing in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1998 (as amended) to formally ask for the comments of your council / organisation on the following proposal:

To introduce a 30mph speed limit extension at the following location; (drawing attached).

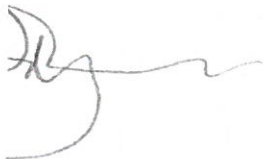
U9056 Whalton.

So far as the Northumbria Police, Parish Council are concerned, I would welcome a reply as soon as convenient, other organisations should let me have their comments by Wednesday 21st January 2015. If no comments are received by that date it will be assumed that you do not wish to make any representations regarding the above proposals.

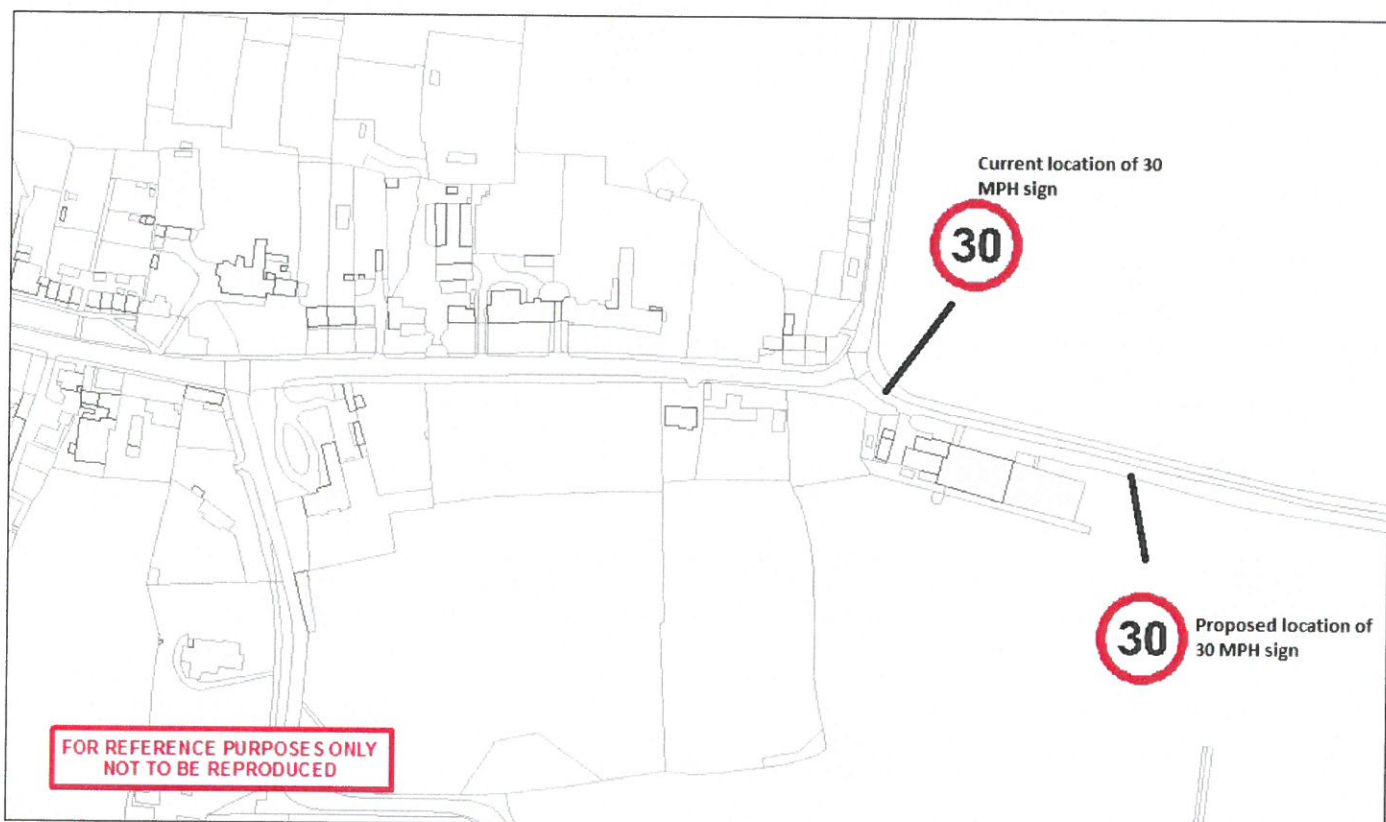
You may wish to note that any comments received may be included in a Decision Report to be assessed by the Corporate Director of Local Services and may be available for public inspection.

I thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Yours faithfully



Andrew Douglas
Project Planning Officer



<p>Northumberland Northumberland County Council</p> <p>Northumberland County Council County Hall Wardle Northumberland NE61 2EP Tel: 01670 833000</p>	<p>Network Management Information System</p> <p>The map is reproduced from Ordnance Survey material with the permission of Ordnance Survey, on behalf of the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationary Office. Crown Copyright. Unauthorised reproduction infringes Crown Copyright and may lead to prosecution or civil proceedings. Licence No. 100049240 (2009)</p>	<p>Title: Whalton Manor Dairy development, Whalton</p>		
		<p>Drawn: AD</p>	<p>Date: 02/12/14</p>	<p>Scale: NTS</p>

APPENDIX 2 - SUMMARY OF CONSULTATION RESPONSES

FOR	AGAINST	NEITHER	Other Relevant Comments
1			CTC would support the proposed 30mph speed limit extension.
1			To support the imposition of a 30 mph speed limit but to request that the opportunity is taken to include in the Order an extension of the existing 30 mph speed limit on the road to Morpeth in that vicinity.
1			I would thank you for your consultation on this matter and offer our support for the on-going road safety programme.
3			