

**RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY DIRECTOR
OF LOCAL SERVICES AND HOUSING**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO NO WAITING AT ANY TIME RESTRICTIONS,
CASTLE TERRACE, ASHINGTON**

21st June 2016

Purpose of Report

To consider the results of the statutory consultation exercise, regarding the proposed amendment to the waiting and loading restrictions on Castle Terrace in Ashington.

Recommendations

It is recommended that:

- It is recommended that the existing restrictions are reduced on Castle Terrace in Ashington: - No Waiting at any time (Double Yellow Lines).

Key Issues

1. This area has been subject to parking issues over a period of time and on occasions causing congestion at the junction. There has now been a change in property usage, the provision to increase the on street parking can now be addressed.
2. The Scheme is funded and supported by Councillor Ken Parry

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BACKGROUND

1. Concerns have been identified to Councillor Parry by residents on a number of occasions with regard to the lack of on street parking in the area.
2. It is proposed to reduce the length of the existing "No Waiting at Any Time" restriction (double yellow lines) in this area. This can be accommodated primarily due to a change of property usage.
3. This would help with the provision of on street parking while still maintaining the safety and integrity of the junction

CONSULTATION

4. This proposal was the subject of a consultation exercise, conducted on the 20th May 2016. This involved the delivery of a consultation letter to 25 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).
5. The consultation exercise ended on 3rd June 2016 and responses were received from 2 consultees, with 0 in favour and 1 against and 1 neither for nor against the proposed measures. A summary of the responses is attached as Appendix B.

COMMENTS

6. The results of the consultation highlighted safety concerns regarding the amount of parking restrictions being removed, close to a busy junction and were clearly not in favour of the proposal.
7. Councillor Parry was notified of the results of the consultation and after modifying the original proposal (see Appendix C), confirms he wishes to proceed with the proposal, which will be funded through his allocation in the Members' Local Improvements Programme.

RECOMMENDATIONS

8. The Council has the power to hold a public inquiry before making any traffic regulation order. Such an inquiry might enable disputed evidence to be tested under cross-examination and the need for an order to be critically examined by an independent inspector. In this particular case, officers believe that the consultation process and involvement with interested parties, means that such an inquiry is unlikely to bring any fresh information to light and it is therefore recommended that an inquiry is not held.

File References

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Appendix A – Consultation - Copy of Consultation Letter
Appendix B - Consultation - Summary of Responses
Appendix C – Modified Plan

Implications Arising Out of the Report

Policy	None
Finance and value for money	Funded through the Members' Local Improvement Programme allocation for Councillor Ken Parry
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities	None
Risk Assessment	Reduction of Waiting and Loading Restrictions
Crime & Disorder	Indiscriminate parking and obstruction
Customer Considerations	Scheme is anticipated to improve parking while maintaining safety and traffic flow in the area
Sustainability	None
Consultation	Ashington Town Council, the emergency services, all affected residents and interested road user organisations were consulted together with the County Councillor for the area.
Wards	Hirst

DECISION TAKEN

Title of Cabinet Member or Officer(s):

Director of Local Services and Housing

Subject:

Proposed amendment to "No waiting at any time" restriction (Double Yellow lines)

Consultation

2 Responses

0 For

1 Against

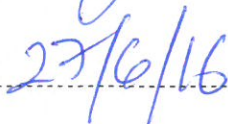
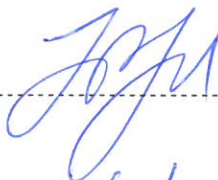
1 Neither for nor against

Decision Taken:

Reduce Waiting and Loading restrictions as proposed.

Signature of Director

Date



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Friday 20th May 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

Proposed Alteration to No Waiting at Any Time Parking Restrictions, Castle Terrace, Ashington

Residents have raised concerns with County Councillor Parry, regarding the lack of residential parking on, Castle Terrace, Ashington. After reviewing the traffic regulation order for this road, it was found that a section of restricted parking was no longer required due to a change in property usage. Councillor Parry has therefore requested that the existing "No Waiting at Any Time" Parking Restrictions be reduced at the junction of Castle Terrace and Hawthorne Road, Ashington in order to alleviate the parking concerns, while still maintaining the safety and integrity of the junction.

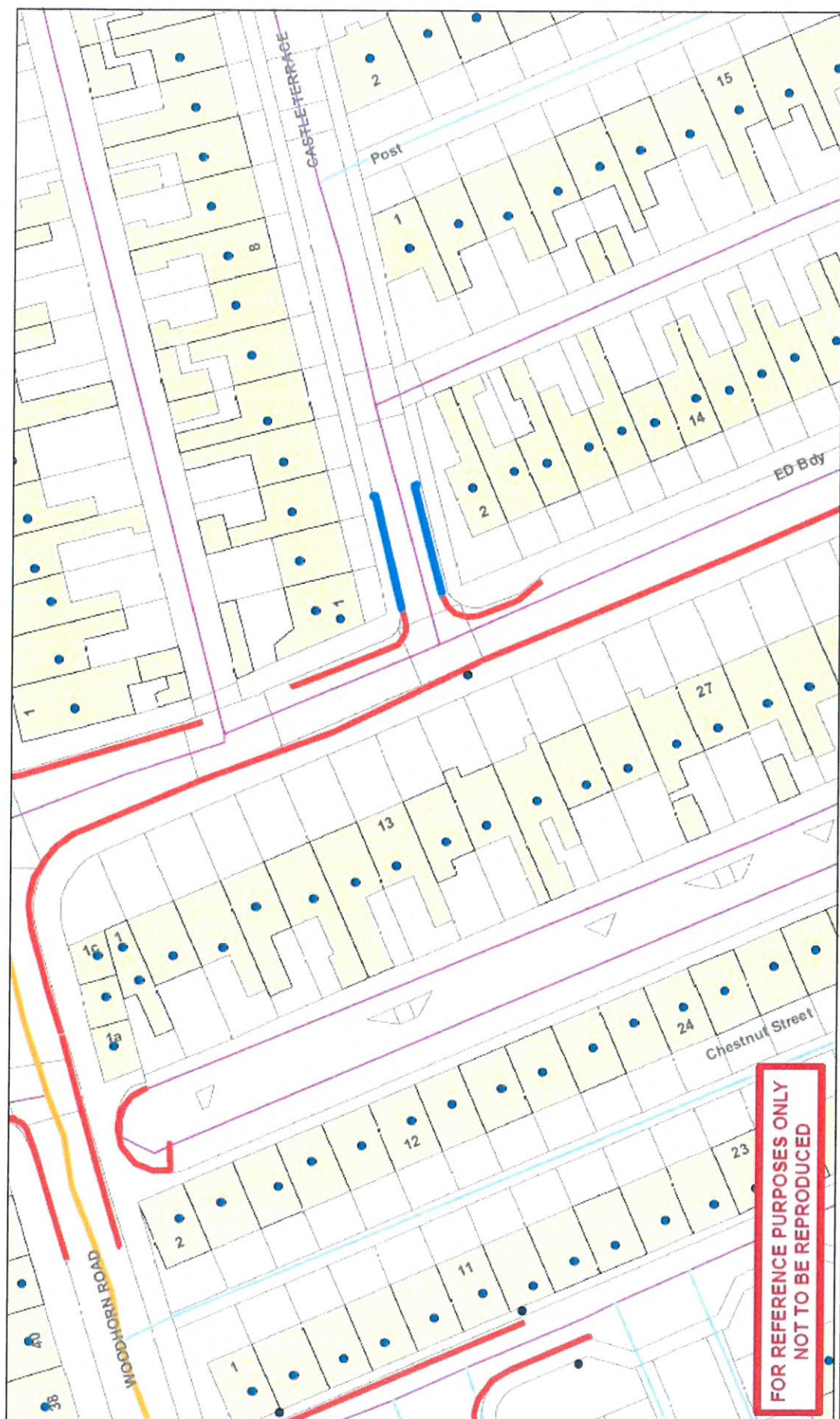
I am therefore writing in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1998 (as amended) to formally advise you on the proposed alteration of "No Waiting At Any Time" parking restrictions at Castle Terrace, Ashington as shown on the attached plan.

If you have any comments or observations regarding this proposal please can you email or write to Highways Programme and Production, County Hall, Morpeth NE61 2EF before the 3rd June 2016

Yours faithfully



Andy Walker
Assistant Programme Officer



Double Yellow Lines to be Removed
Double Yellow lines to be Kept

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APPENDIX B

FOR	AGAINST	NEITHER	Other Relevant Comments
		1	Thank you for your letter dated 18th April 2016 in which you invite us to offer our comments on the above proposal. I would inform you that as Emergency Service we may be required to use the above road(s) for access and egress in the event of being activated to attend an emergency call, or to convey patients to hospital for out-patient appointments. I would thank you for your consultation on this matter and offer our support for the on-going road safety programme.
	1		I am concerned at the decision. in my experience we will have cars parking on either side of the road at a junction. It may result in one way traffic so close to Hawthorn Road junction. presently one of the residents on the north side has a large van. If the DYL is removed this van will come closer to the junction and block one side of the carriageway.
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Appendix C



Double Yellow lines to be Removed
Double Yellow Lines to be kept

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