

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY DIRECTOR OF LOCAL SERVICES AND HOUSING

PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS B1325 BRIARDENE BURN / WEST END OLD HARTLEY, SEATON SLUICE 8th March 2016

Purpose of Report

To consider the results of the public consultation exercise, regarding proposed parking restrictions on Briardene Burn / West End Old Hartley, Seaton Sluice.

Recommendations

It is recommended that:

1. It is recommended that the following parking restrictions are introduced on to B1325 Briardene Burn / West End Old Hartley, Seaton Sluice : - No waiting at Any Time (Double Yellow lines)

Key Issues

1. This area has been subject to indiscriminate parking over a period of time, causing congestion and traffic safety concerns.
2. The Scheme is funded and supported by Councillor Susan Dungworth through the Members' Local Improvements Programme.

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BACKGROUND

1. Concerns have been identified to Councillor Dungworth by residents of the Briardene Burn Area of Seaton Sluice on a number of occasions with regard to the indiscriminate parking in the area.
2. It is proposed to introduce a "No waiting at any time" parking restriction.
3. This would help improve the safety of pedestrians using the footpath and improve traffic flow and visibility in the vicinity of the Briardene Burn car park.
4. It is anticipated these proposals will improve visibility to and from the junctions along this Hartley Road and West End Seaton Sluice.

CONSULTATION

5. These proposals were the subject of a consultation exercise, conducted on the 18th January 2016. This involved the delivery of a consultation letter to 6 residents and 23 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).
6. The consultation exercise ended on 2nd February 2016 and responses were received from 2 consultees, with 1 in favour and 0 against and 1 neither for nor against the proposal. A summary of the responses is attached as Appendix B.

COMMENTS

7. Councillor Dungworth was notified of the results of the consultation and confirms she 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 extensive 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 Index

Appendix A – Consultation 1 -Copy of Consultation Letter
Appendix B - Consultation 1 - Summary of Responses

Implications Arising Out of the Report

Policy	None
Finance and value for money	Funded through the Members' Local Improvement Programme allocation for Councillor Susan Dungworth
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities	None
Risk Assessment	None
Crime & Disorder	Indiscriminate parking and obstruction
Customer Considerations	Scheme is anticipated to improve traffic flows and road safety in the area
Sustainability	None
Consultation	Seaton Valley Parish Council, the emergency services, all affected residents and interested road user organisations were consulted together with the County Councillor for the area.
Wards	Hartley

DECISION TAKEN

Title of Cabinet Member or Officer(s):

Director of Local Services and Housing

Subject:

Proposed parking restrictions (No waiting at any time)

Consultation

2 Responses

1 For

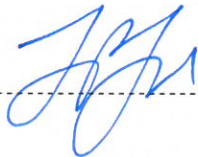
0 Against

1 Neither for nor against

Decision Taken:

Introduce parking restrictions as proposed.

Signature of Director



Date

18/3/16

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Monday 18th January 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

**Proposed No Waiting at Any Time Parking Restrictions,
B1325 West End, Old Hartley**

Residents have raised concerns with County Councillor Dungworth, about indiscriminate parking on the B1325 Old Hartley, Seaton Sluice and this is causing potential road safety issues. Councillor Dungworth has therefore requested that No Waiting at Any Time Parking Restrictions be considered in order to alleviate these concerns.

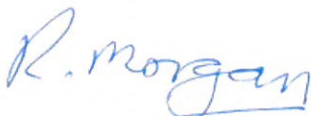
I am therefore writing in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1998 (as amended) to formally ask for your comments on the proposal to introduce No Waiting At Any Time Restrictions near the Car Park on the B1325 West End, Old Harley, Seaton Sluice as shown the attached plan.

The County Council is seeking your views on the proposals and a freepost response form is attached to facilitate the consultation process. It should be stressed that this is a genuine consultation and that comments received will be carefully considered.

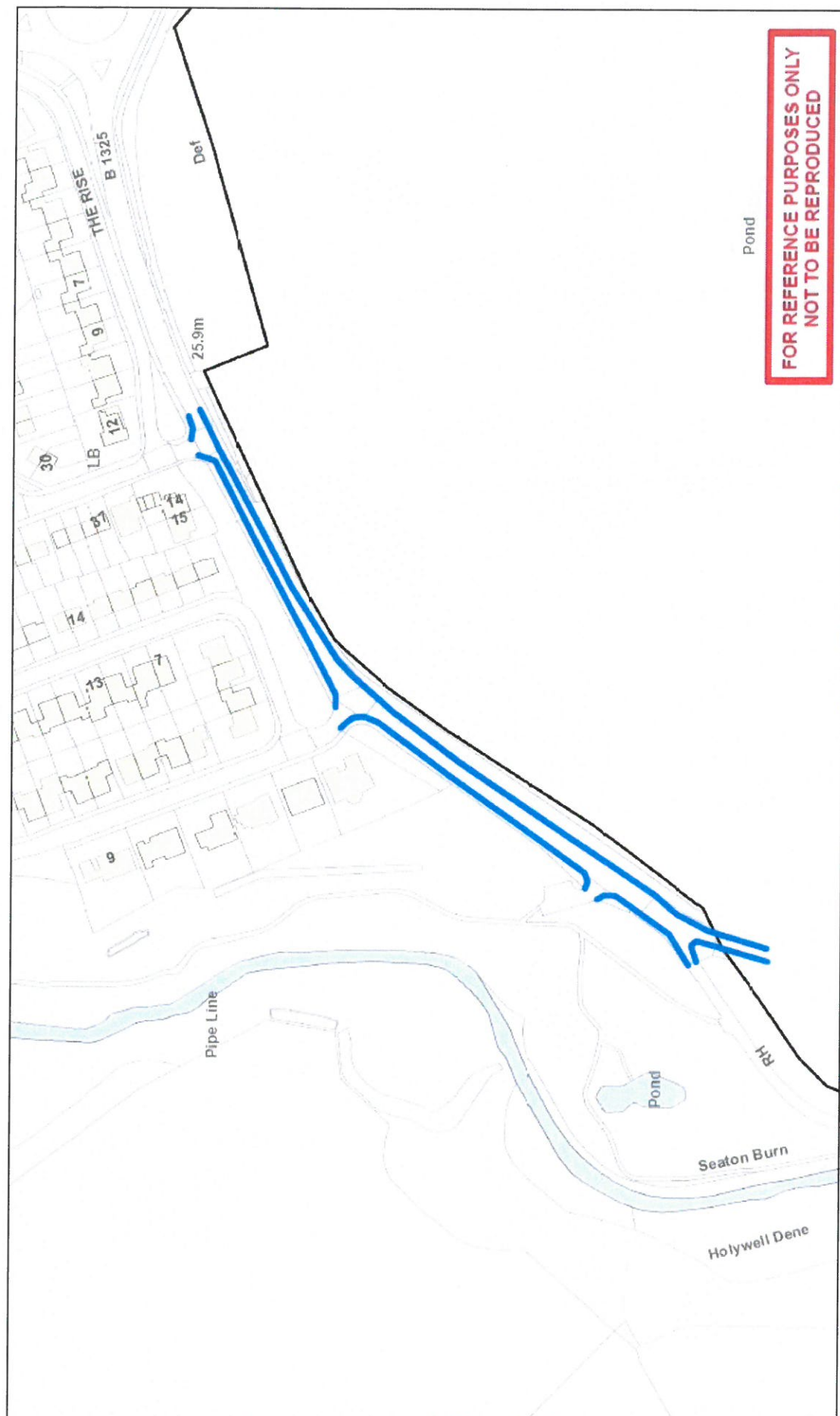
Regrettably, it is not possible to reply to individual comments, but you may wish to note that comments may be included in a Decision Report, to the Executive Director of Local Services and Housing and may be available for public inspection. The closing date for any comments you may wish to make is Tuesday 2nd February 2016. If you wish to respond to this consultation online, please visit the web address <http://trafficconsult.northumberland.gov.uk/>.

I would urge you to take the opportunity to comment on this important matter as any decision taken will be based upon the responses received from residents who take time to return the consultation form.

Yours faithfully



Reuben Morgan
Programme Officer (Members Small Schemes)



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KEY:-

— PROPOSED NO WAITING AT ANY TIME
RESTRICTIONS (DOUBLE YELLOW LINES)

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APPENDIX B

FOR	AGAINST	NEITHER	Other Relevant Comments
1			I fully support these proposals. I have received & dealt with several complaints in this area. It will also help the local farmer who has had extreme difficulty in accessing his property at times especially in the summer.
		1	Thank you for your letter dated 18th January 2016 in which you invite us to offer our comments on the above proposal. I would inform you that as an Emergency Service we may be required to use the above road(s) for access and egress in the event of being activated to attend any emergency call, or to convey patients to hospital for out-patients appointments. I would thank you for your consultation on this matter and offer our support for the on-going road safety programme.
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