

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY DIRECTOR OF LOCAL SERVICES AND HOUSING

PROPOSED 20 MPH SPEED RESTRICTION GOLDSTONE ESTATE, EAST ORD, BERWICK-UPON -TWEED 28th June 2016

Purpose of Report

To consider the introduction of a 20 mph speed limit restriction on Goldstone Estate, East Ord, Berwick-upon-Tweed.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the following restrictions are introduced on Goldstone Estate, East Ord, Berwick-upon-Tweed: 20 mph Speed Limit.

Key Issues

- This area has been the subject of traffic safety concerns over a period of time i.e. speeding traffic, raising concerns with residents, local County Councillor and Parish Council.
- 2. The Scheme is funded and supported by Councillor Isabel Hunter and this safety initiative also carries the support of the Parish and Town Council.

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BACKGROUND

- 1. Safety concerns have been identified to Councillor Hunter by residents on a number of occasions with regard to speeding traffic in the area.
- 2. It is proposed to introduce a 20 mph speed limit restriction in this area
- 3. This would help improve traffic safety for the residents and road users of Goldstone Estate, East Ord, Berwick-upon-Tweed

CONSULTATION

- 4. A formal consultation did not take place as this proposal is on traffic safety improvement grounds. The design and implementation process is consistent with the County Council initiative to introduce 20 mph limits/zones, adjacent to all schools across the County over the next 5 years.
- 5. Support for the proposal is provided by Councillor Hunter and this initiative is also supported by both Parish and Town Council. Councillor Hunter also canvassed local opinion in December 2015 with a local resident survey (example attached as Appendix B). This demonstrated overwhelming support for this proposal.
- 6. Statutory consultees have been notified.
- 7. Advertising of the scheme will be carried out via the legal process for the introduction of a new Traffic Regulation Order.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8. It is recommended to introduce a 20 mph speed limit restriction on Goldstone Estate, East Ord, Berwick-upon-Tweed. As detailed in Appendix A
- 9. 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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Legal Order Reference TROM_035

Appendix Index

Appendix A – Scheme Plans Appendix B – Local Survey Example

Implications Arising Out of the Report

Policy None

Finance and value for money Funded through the Members' Local Improvement

Programme allocation for Councillor Isabel Hunter

Human Resources None

Property None

Equalities None

Risk Assessment Introduction of a 20 mph limit restriction

Crime & Disorder Traffic safety concerns i.e. speeding traffic

Customer Considerations Scheme is anticipated to improve road safety for

residents and road users in the area

Sustainability None

Consultation Ord Parish Council and statutory consultees

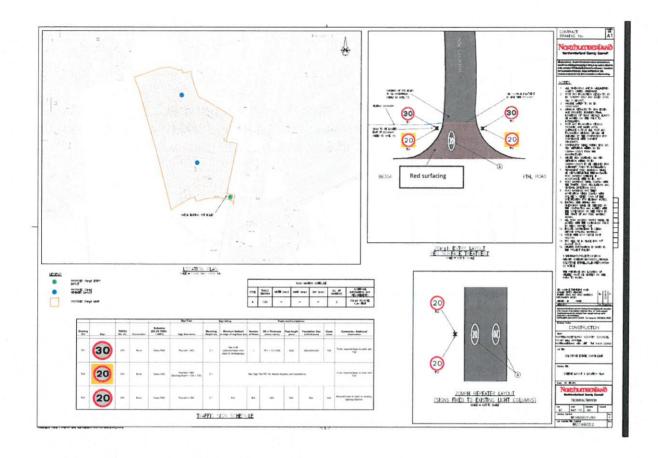
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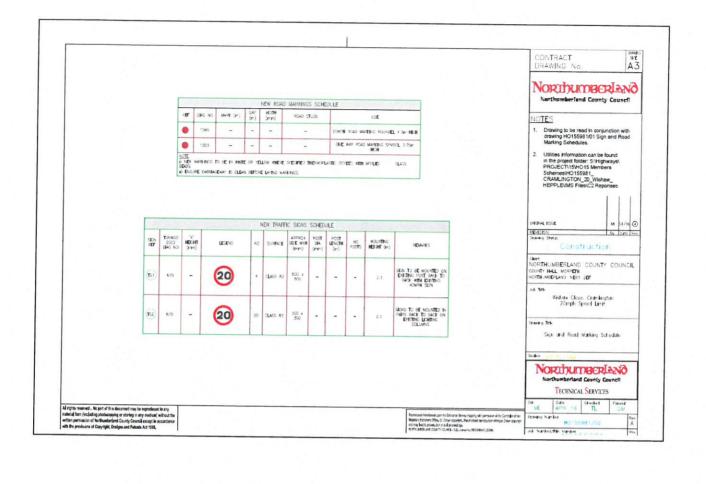
area.

Wards Berwick West with Ord

DECISION TAKEN

Title of Cabinet Member or Officer(s):	Director of Local Services and Housing
Subject:	Proposed introduction of 20 mph speed limit restriction
Consultation	Formal consultation not carried out – proposal canvassed and supported by Local County Councillor and Parish Council.
Decision Taken:	Introduce speed limit restrictions as proposed.
Signature of Director	APA1
Date /_	2/7/6





Do you have any other issues you would like me to look into?

if you require a reply please leave your details below

Name

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Contact No

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Please leave this leaflet in your letterbox on Thursday 5th December

Of return it to me at

Morven 11 Springhill Lane Tweedmouth Berwick-upon-Tweed TD15 2001

Or c-mail Isabel. Hunter@northumberland.gov.uk

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCILOR ISABEL HUNTER

In early 2016 there is to be a Bus Stop pole erected on Etal Road at the entrance to Goldstone, which means we will have an official bus stop for the Estate.

speed of vehicles in the Estate. I would like your views and comments about I have received several complaints from residents of Goldstone about the an option of 20mph for the whole Estate. Please answer the following questions:

support a 20mph limit in Goldstone Estate

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I support traffic calming measures in Goldstone Estate. Yes

Any additional comments:

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