

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES

Paul Jones

Proposed Amendment of Parking Restrictions Alexandra Terrace, Stocksfield

Cabinet Member: Councillor Glen Sanderson

Purpose of Report

To consider the amendment of existing No Waiting at Any Time Parking Restrictions (Double Yellow Lines) to No Loading at Any Time (Double Yellow lines with Double Kerb markings)



No loading or unloading at any time

Recommendations

It is recommended that the existing parking restrictions be amended to: No Loading at Any Time as proposed on Alexandra Terrace, Stocksfield.

Link to Corporate Plan

Living - "We want you to feel safe, healthy and cared for" Enjoying - "We want you to love where you live"

Key Issues

- 1. Indiscriminate parking at the junction of Alexandra Terrace with Brettonby Avenue, Stocksfield.
- 2. Parked delivery vehicles and disabled drivers are causing restricted visibility for motorists joining the A695.
- 3. This junction is further complicated by the entrance to the medical Centre car park.
- 4. Scheme is to be funded by Councillor Dale, through her members Local Improvement Allowance.
- 5. Scheme supported by Broomley and Stocksfield Parish Council.
- 6. All responses received support proposal.

Background

- 1. Residents contacted their local Ward member with concerns regarding inconsiderate drivers parking on or near the junction of Alexandra Terrace with Brettonby Avenue, Stocksfield..
- 2. Indiscriminate parking at the junction is making it difficult for residents to negotiate this junction safely.
- 3. After meeting with Councillor Dale, Officers proposed that the current restrictions be increased to "No Loading at Any Time" at the junction in order to alleviate these concerns:
- 4. A consultation letter was sent to 29 Residents and 28 statutory consultees on the proposed parking restrictions. A copy of the consultation letter and plan are attached in Appendix A
- 5. 10 responses were received as a result of the consultation letter, with 10 in favour 0 against the proposal. A summary of the responses is attached as Appendix B.
- 6. The results of the consultation were discussed with Councillor Dale, who agreed that the restrictions be amended as proposed.
- 7. The scheme is funded and supported by Councillor Anne Dale through her Members' Local Improvement Allocation

Implications Arising out of the Report

Policy	None
Finance and value for money	Funded through the Member's Local Improvement allocation for Councillor Anne Dale
Legal	Preparation of Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO)
Procurement	
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities	None
(Impact Assessment attached)	
Yes No N/A	
Risk Assessment	
Crime & Disorder	Traffic safety concerns i.e. Obstruction / congestion of the highway
Customer Consideration	Scheme is anticipated to improve road safety for pedestrians, residents and road users in the area
Carbon reduction	
Wards	Stocksfield & Broomhaugh

Background papers:

File ref: HO186430

Appendix Index

Appendix A - Consultation Letter and Plan

Appendix B - Consultation Response

Report sign off.

Authors must ensure that relevant officers and members have agreed the content of the report:

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Dear Sir/Madam

Proposed Amendment of Parking Restrictions Alexandra Terrace Stocksfield

Safety concerns have been raised by residents over a period of time with Councillor Dale. The main issue being inconsiderate parking on the existing double yellow lines at the junction of Alexandra Terrace with Brettonby Avenue, Stocksfield, causing restricted visibility for motorists joining the A695.

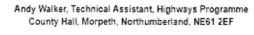
Councillor Dale has therefore agreed to fund the amendment of No Waiting at Any Time Parking Restrictions (Double Yellow Lines) to No Loading at Any Time (Double Yellow lines with Double Kerb markings) subject to favourable consultation with residents and businesses.



No loading or unloading at any time

I am therefore writing in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 (as amended) to formally ask for your comments on the proposed amendment to the parking restrictions at Alexandra Terrace and Brettonby Avenue, Stocksfield, as shown the attached plan.







Please note these new restrictions apply to all vehicles at all times – this includes delivery vehicles and blue badge holders any vehicle found parked in this area will receive a penalty charge notice, without exception.

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 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 Friday 20th July 2018. 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.

I thank you for your assistance in this matter.

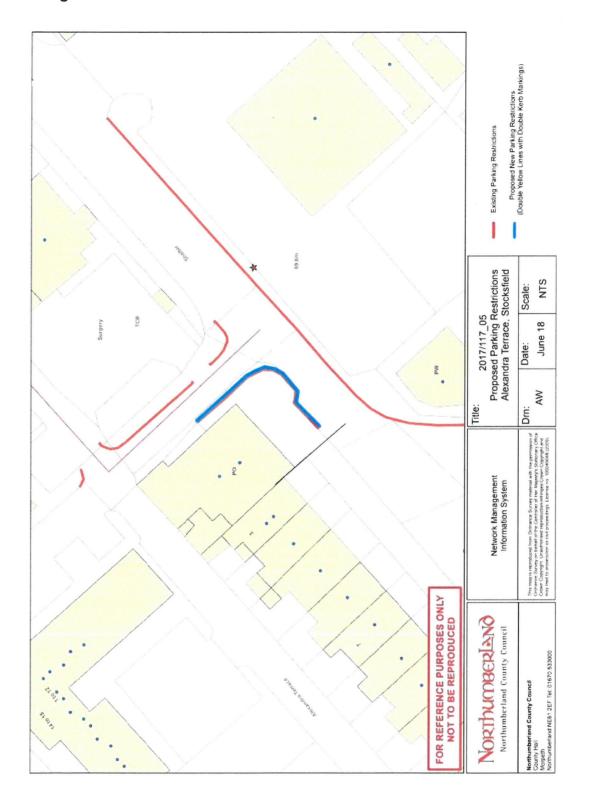
Yours faithfully

Andy Walker

Technical Assistant (Members Small Schemes)







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R	T	R	Other Relevant Comments
1			I fully support the proposed parking restrictions regarding Alexander Terrace. I would further like to propose and sak the county council to consider having "Give Way" signage erected at the doctors surgery car park. All other cars proceeding out of the car park don't stop & continue to move forward to joining the A686 road. This has been a great concern of mine, which I have previously mentioned to the county council, there has been many "near misses", "Give Way" signage would instruct a driver to "Step & Give Way". The other proposal I would like to have the county council consider is double yellow lines behind Alexander Terrace, where the road is narrow. A sign is there informing drivers not to park due to a restriction of width on his part of the road, they take no notice of this. We, at Bywell View have 3 disabled residents, one in particular has an ambulance calling at least 3 times a week, therefore whenever a vehicle is parked in this particular part of the road, it makes it difficult for the emergency services to gain access, time is of the essence for the paramedics attending to a patient. I hope my comments will look favourspie & action taken.
1			In general I am in favour of these proposed changes as they are a modest improvement on what already exists. However it remains to be seen how much more effective they will be in acting as a deterent to illegal parking which is currently very prevalent. Perhaps one or two culprits need to be caught and fined initially 'power encouraher les antres'
1			I agree with this proposals. But make sure the drivers do not park on Bywell View land this is private land, on a Monday it is really bad. Most times the husband or male driver park "Bywell View Road" when the other go to the shops. A sign should be put up no parking at all. Also they are parking half on footpath.
1			Big problem with shop workers from chemists parking all day in lay-by along Alexandra Terrace. Residents can only park outside their houses after 5:30pm
1			We thought double yellow lines would make a difference. No. I'm in full support, but without enforcement I'm not sure it will solve the problem.
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			The Parish Council met last night and supports this proposal.
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1			We support the proposals on the basis that it is a tougher restriction, but are concerned that, without proper enforcement, it will be equally ignored. We suggest that, in addition, a convex mirror be erected opposite the junction so that drivers will be able to see oncoming traffic on the A696. A mirror would be helpful in any event as, although obstruction from vehicles parking on the double yellow lines in Brettonby Avenue is the main issue, it is the case that visability is also obstructed by vehicles parked on the road on Alexandra terms outside boots the chemist, another suggestion is to provide a time-limited loading bay for deliveries to Boots the Chemist and to Branch and Surgery.
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DECISION TAKEN

Title of Officer:	Service Director, Local Services
Subject:	Proposed Amendment of Parking Restrictions Alexandra Terrace, Stocksfield
Consultation	For: 10 Against: 0 Neutral: 0
Decision Taken:	To amend the existing parking restrictions as proposed
Signature of Director	AM
Date	16/10/18

