



Northumberland County Council

**RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY  
SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES**

**Paul Jones**

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**Proposed Christon Bank Village, Introduction of new 20 MPH Speed  
Limit Restriction - Experimental**

**16 April 2018**

**Cabinet Member: Glen Sanderson - Environment & Local Services**

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**Purpose of Report**

This report sets out the background to the proposed implementation of a new 20 mph speed limit in Christon Bank Village on an experimental basis. This proposal is included in the Local Transport Programme (LTP) Programme 2018/2019.

**Recommendations**

It is recommended that the new 20 mph Speed Limit is introduced in Christon Bank Village on an experimental basis for a maximum period of 12 months.

**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. Concerns were raised by the local community about the increased speed of traffic in the village.

## **Delegated Decision**

### **Background**

Christon Bank Village 20 MPH speed limit scheme has been proposed, following concerns raised over a prolonged period by previous and current County Councillors for the area, as well as the Parish Council.

Anecdotal evidence on the proposal gained by the Parish Council and Local County Councillors, suggest a mixed response from local residents. Following discussions between NCC Officers, Parish Council and Local County Councillors, it has been agreed to introduce the scheme on an Experimental basis for 12 months.

Making an experimental order as a precursor to a permanent order can have material benefits. As well as being a more cost effective and flexible approach (allowing e.g. for immediate feedback and minor changes) than a permanent or temporary order.

The 20 MPH speed limit will therefore effectively replace the existing 30 MPH speed limit for a maximum of 12 months. A review will take place on the overall effectiveness of the scheme after 6 months. - See Appendix A

Northumbria Police, other emergency services and relevant statutory consultees were notified of these amendments as part of the process for making the permanent Orders.

Consultation took place between NCC Officers, Local County Councillor and Parish Council who full supported the proposals. - See Appendix B

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### Implications Arising out of the Report

<b>Policy</b>	Consistent with existing policies
<b>Finance and value for money</b>	Scheme will be financed from LTP
<b>Legal</b>	Traffic Regulation Order (reference TROM_121) Temporary Revocation of existing 30 MPH Speed Limit Traffic Regulation Order
<b>Procurement</b>	Signage and road markings to meet Regulations
<b>Human Resources</b>	None
<b>Property</b>	None
<b>Equalities</b> (Impact Assessment attached) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	None
<b>Crime &amp; Disorder</b>	Regulations in place to carry out enforcement.
<b>Customer Consideration</b>	A reduction in speed will lead to a safer environment for all road users.
<b>Carbon reduction</b>	Speed reduction assists with carbon reduction
<b>Wards</b>	Longhoughton

#### **Background papers:**

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20mph Christon Bank

Appendix A – Scheme Plan

Appendix B - Parish Council Support

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### Report sign off.

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

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### DECISION TAKEN

**Title of Officer:** Service Director, Local Services

**Subject:** Proposed implementation of a new 20 mph speed limit in Christon Bank Village on an experimental basis

**Consultation:** Not required –Experimental Order and supported by Local County Councillors, Parish Council and notified to Northumbria Police

**Decision Taken:** Introduction of a new 20 mph speed limit in Christon Bank Village on an experimental basis for a maximum of twelve months.

Signature of Director

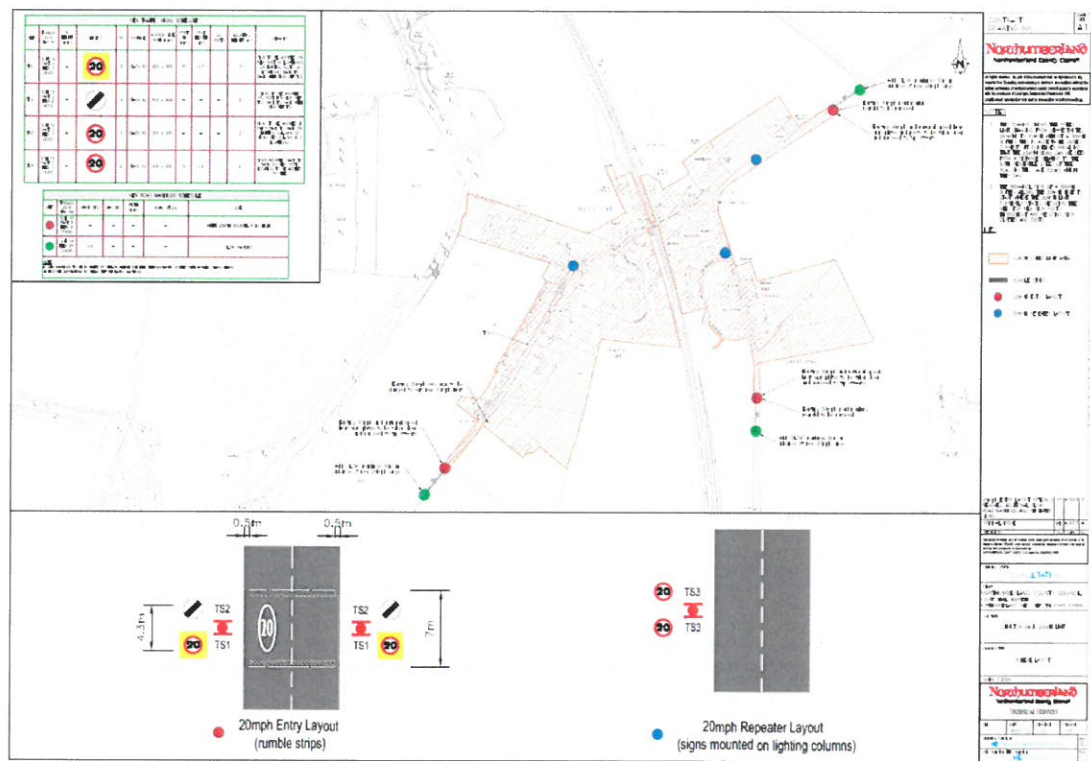


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23/4/18

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## Appendix A



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### Appendix A

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From: **Embleton Parish Council** <[EmbletonPC@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:EmbletonPC@hotmail.co.uk)>

Date: 14 April 2018 at 07:01

Subject: RE: HE174330 - Christon Bank 20mph

To: Neil Snowdon <[neil.snowdon@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:neil.snowdon@northumberland.gov.uk)>

Cc: Wendy Pattison <[wendy.pattison@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:wendy.pattison@northumberland.gov.uk)>, Terence Howells

Hi Neil,

Just to let you know that that Councillors of Embleton Parish Council have reviewed the plans and are happy and keen to go ahead now and get the speed restrictions in place in Christon Bank.

Kind regards

Melisa

**Melissa Gilroy**

Embleton Parish Council Clerk

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- Forwarded message -----

From: **Embleton Parish Council** <[EmbletonPC@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:EmbletonPC@hotmail.co.uk)>

Date: 27 March 2018 at 20:29

Subject: 20mph Zone - Christon Bank

To: "neil.snowdon@northumberland.gov.uk" <[neil.snowdon@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:neil.snowdon@northumberland.gov.uk)>

Cc: Terence Howells

Dear Neil,

Embleton Parish Council had a meeting last night and the Councillors all agreed to your proposal to put in an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order which would be in place for a period of 12 months. As you mentioned this would be an ongoing consultation where comments are encouraged to allow an informed decision on the scheme going forward if it should remain 20mph.

Just to confirm – the Councillors did agree at the February meeting that a 20mph zone & rumble strips with a passage for cyclists was the preferred option. Please could you send through the final plans and also supply the PC with a timeframe for implantation of the plan so that the residents can be informed?

Kind regards

**Melissa Gilroy**

Embleton Parish Council Clerk

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