



Northumberland County Council

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

Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services

**PROPOSED 'NO WAITING AT ANY TIME' PARKING RESTRICTIONS,
MEADOWFIELD, PONTELAND**

Cabinet Member: Councillor Glen Sanderson

Purpose of Report

To consider the results of the consultation exercise regarding a proposal to provide a 'No Waiting at Any Time' (double yellow lines) parking restriction in Meadowfield, Ponteland.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the proposed 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restriction is implemented.

Link to Corporate Plan

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

Key Issues

The County Council has received concerns from local residents via Ponteland Town Council and the local Ward Member about problems caused by parking in Meadowfield, opposite the junction with Merton Way.

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Background

1. The County Council has received concerns from local residents via Ponteland Town Council and the local Ward Member about problems caused by parking in Meadowfield, opposite the junction with Merton Way.
2. There are existing double yellow lines on both sides of the road as you enter Meadowfield, however, on the west side of the road these currently terminate before the junction with Merton Way.
3. Vehicles are parking opposite the junction which is creating safety concerns. The parked cars narrow the road down to one lane, which means that drivers exiting Merton Way often find themselves meeting traffic head-on as it passes the parked cars.
4. The problem is exacerbated by the fact that Meadowfield is an industrial area and much of the traffic is larger vehicles, including HGVs.
5. In response to the concerns raised, a consultation was carried out with adjoining properties and statutory consultees on providing double yellow lines opposite the junction. A copy of the consultation plan is shown in Appendix A.
6. The results of the consultation were:

For: 1 (50%)
Against: 0 (0%)
Neutral: 1 (50%)

A copy of the responses received is shown in Appendix B.
7. The proposed parking restriction is located outside the Royal Hampton Care Home. They did not respond to the consultation but parking for staff and visitors is available on site.
8. The County Council is currently progressing proposals to increase the amount of car parking available in the Merton Way car park so vehicles displaced by the proposed restriction will be able to find alternative parking elsewhere.
9. Ponteland Town Council support the proposal.
10. The local Ward Member supports the proposal.
11. It is therefore recommended that the proposed 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restriction should be provided.

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Implications Arising out of the Report

Policy	
Finance and value for money	The scheme will be funded through the Local Transport Plan Programme.
Legal	Motorists will be required to comply with the parking restrictions.
Procurement	None
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities (Impact Assessment attached) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	None
Risk Assessment	None
Crime & Disorder	None
Customer Consideration	Local residents and statutory consultees have been consulted.
Carbon reduction	None
Wards	Ponteland North

Background papers:

File ref: HE174328

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Report sign off.

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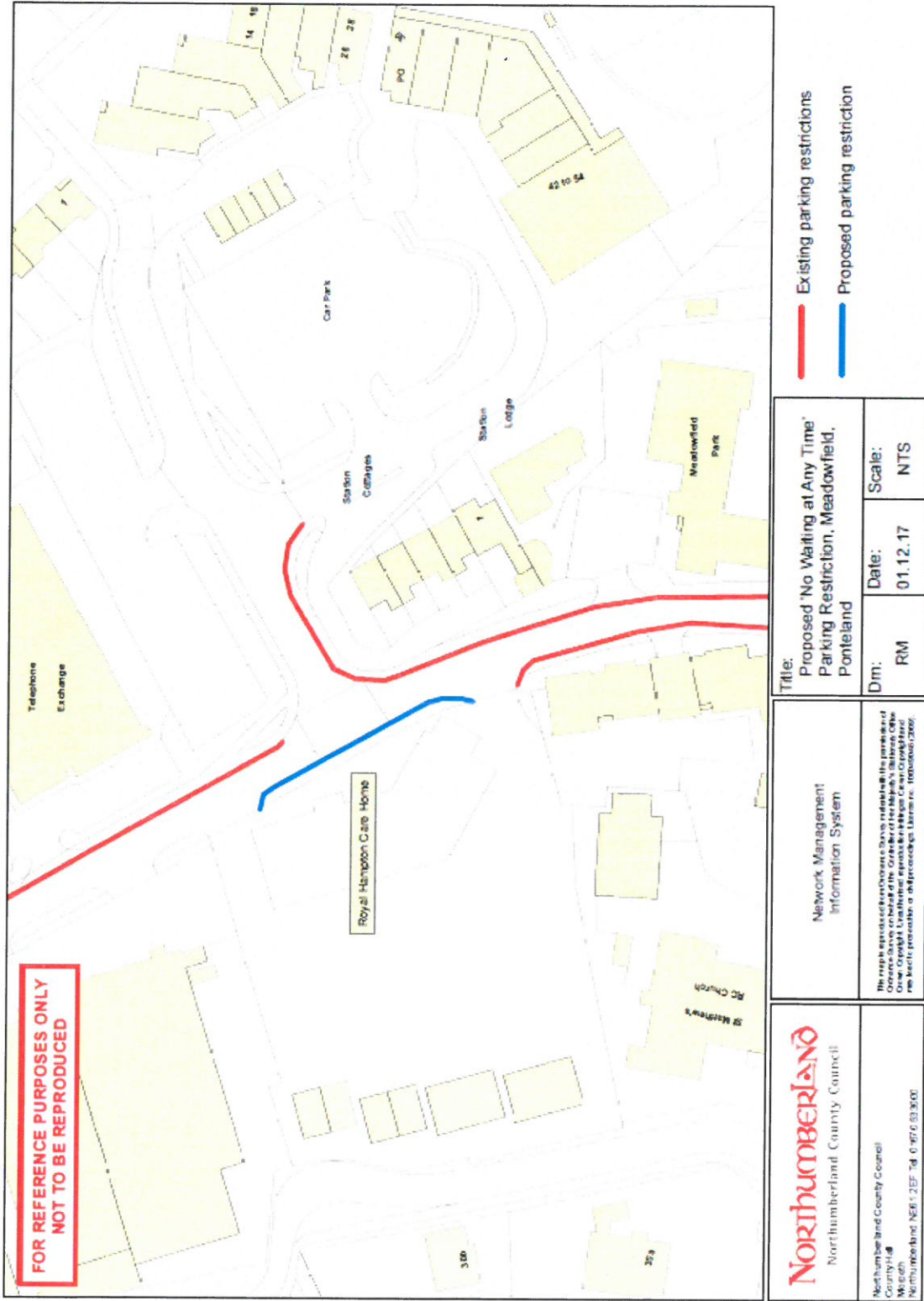
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Appendix A - Consultation Plan



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Appendix B - Consultation Responses

F O R	A G A I N S T	N E I T H E R	Other Relevant Comments
		1	Thank you for your letter dated 4th December 2017 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 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			All of the Councillors have been informed, and those that did respond which included the Clerk, were wholly in support of the installation of the parking restrictions suggested. The road into Meadowfield and the Merton Car Parks has been becoming increasingly difficult and dangerous to negotiate, either as a motorist or as a pedestrian, due to motorists parking directly opposite the junction and along the front of the Royal Hampton, reducing the road to almost single file traffic and causing congestion throughout the day. Councillors did mention that it was hoped that following installation, parking wardens would be deployed to reinforce the restriction and dissuade motorists from parking there in future.
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DECISION TAKEN

**Title of Officer(s) and Portfolio
Holder (where appropriate):**

Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services

Subject:

PROPOSED 'NO WAITING AT ANY TIME'
PARKING RESTRICTIONS, MEADOWFIELD,
PONTELAND

Consultation

For: 1 (50%)
Against: 0 (0%)
Neutral: 1 (50%)

Decision Taken:

The proposed 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking
restriction is implemented.

Signature of Director/
officer/Portfolio Holder where
appropriate)*

Date



28/3/18

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