



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 RESTRICTION,
BAILIFFGATE, ALNWICK**

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 Bailiffgate, Alnwick.

Recommendations

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

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

The County Council has received concerns from users of St Michael's Church and Church Lane, via the local ward member, about parked cars obstructing sightlines and access to properties.

The consultation response was positive and the scheme will be funded through the LTP.

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Background

1. The County Council has received concerns via the local ward member, from users of St Michael's Church and Church Lane about parked cars obstructing sightlines and access to properties.
2. The entrances to St Michael's Church and Church Lane are adjacent on the north side of Bailiffgate. Residents permit parking bays are in place to the east and there are currently no parking restrictions to the west. Vehicles therefore park here and affect sightlines for those exiting onto Bailiffgate, as shown in Figure 1.

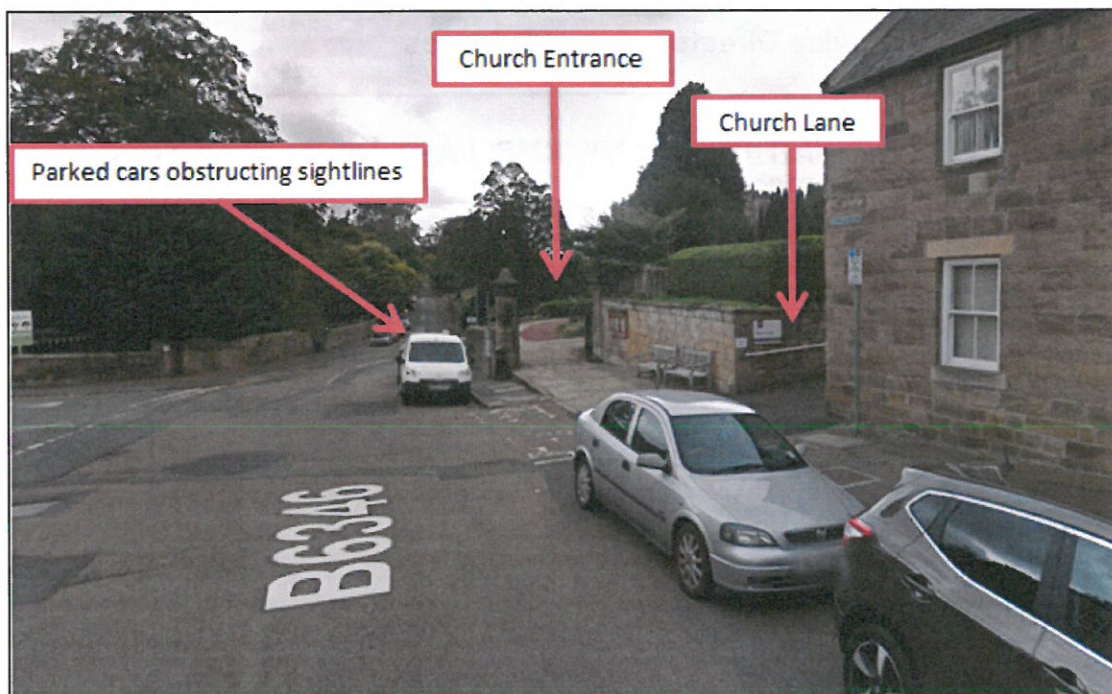


Fig.1. Church Lane/Bailiffgate junction showing parked cars.

3. As well as affecting sightlines for those exiting the Church or Church Lane, the parked cars also force eastbound vehicles out into the centre of the road. The horizontal and vertical alignment of the road here is not good and further affects forward visibility, which means that westbound traffic could meet oncoming traffic 'head on'.
4. A 'KEEP CLEAR' road marking is in place at the church entrance, however, this often does not provide sufficient room for those vehicles that do need to stop outside the church, for example for weddings or funerals.
5. Residents and statutory consultees were therefore consulted on a proposal to provide a 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restriction (double yellow lines). The restriction is designed to keep parked cars

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away from the Church entrance and from the bend in the road. A copy of the consultation plan is shown in Appendix A.

6. Ten responses were received as follows:

- For: 8 (80%)
- Against: 1 (10%)
- Neutral: 1 (10%)

A copy of the responses is shown in Appendix B.

7. There was no response from Alnwick Town Council, however the local ward members support the proposal.

8. Given the outcome of the consultation and the support of the local ward members, it is recommended that the 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restriction should be implemented.

Implications Arising out of the Report

Policy	
Finance and value for money	The scheme will be funded through the Local Transport Plan Programme.
Legal	None
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

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Background papers:

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Report sign off.

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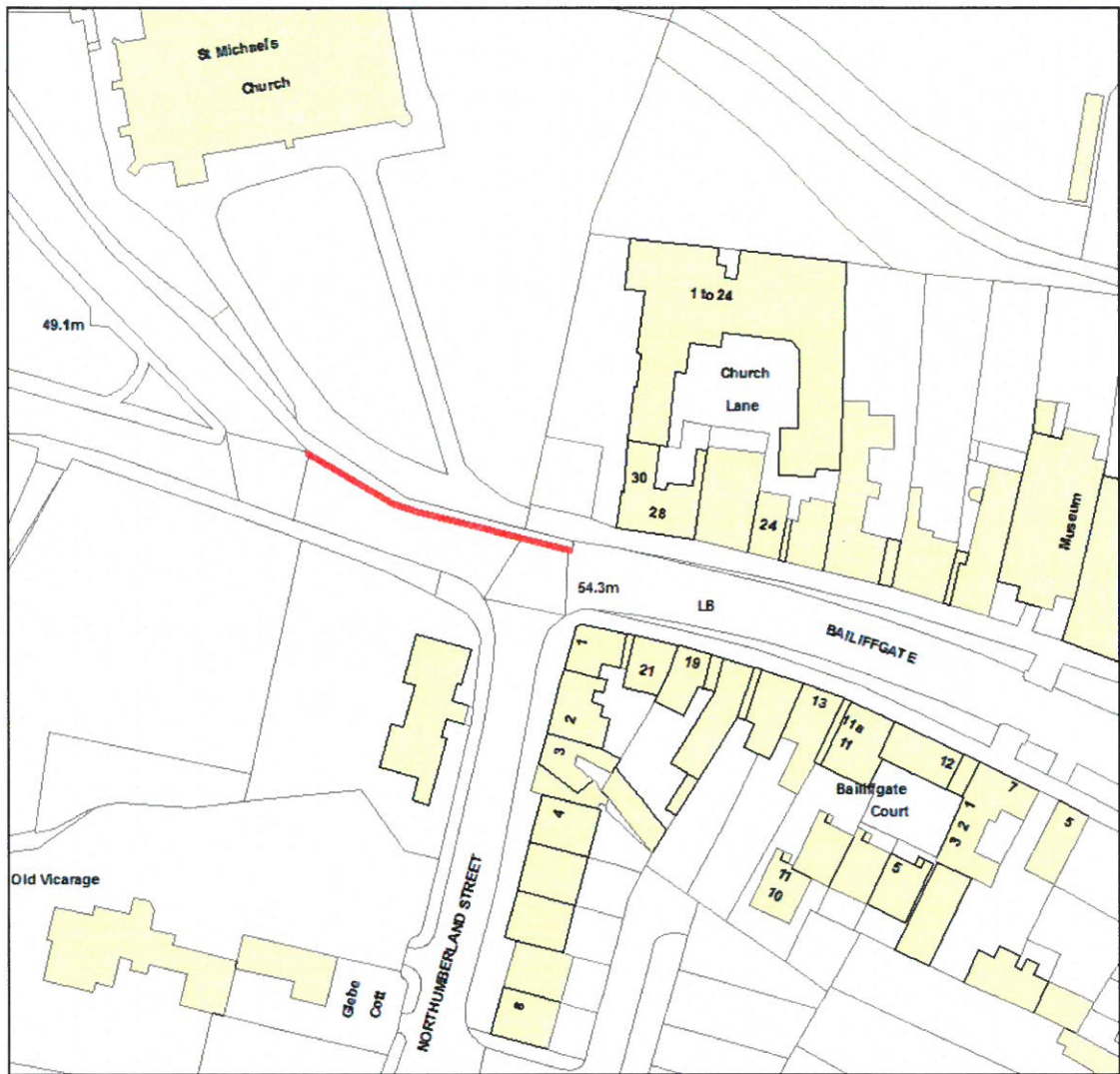
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Appendix A - Consultation Plan



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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			I have no objections to the proposals. I do have concerns over residents parking on the street due to non residents parking; mainly tourists. Can any part of the street be made residents only? We pay for an on street parking permit every year and sometimes don't get use out of it at all.
1			With regards to your letter dated 25 July 2018 I would like to say I have no objections to this - and as far as I am aware this doesn't actually happen at the moment on the stipulated parts of the road? I do have concerns over parking - as someone who pays for a yearly on street parking permit I am unable to park on the street most of the time due to tourists to Alnwick Castle. We often have to use Pottergate, but this also becomes difficult at times. Can this be looked at? Paying for a service we hardly use doesn't seem right.
1			Without doubt it needs change from the clutter that is making Bailiffgate impossible to navigate through in that part of the town.
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1			Paramedics & Fire crew have been denied access to our Church Lane property in the past. Holiday lets opposite often take parking spaces for residents of the street also. They also complain about street cleaning but don't think about parked cars making that job impossible!!
1			This is a very good move. As I've noticed when arriving back to Church Lane many a time. The front entrance is blocked by cars. You have to weave yourself in and out, just to have access to get up the lane. It should be made aware, that the emergency services must have priority access, especially to Church Lane where they can be made to gain at all times. I have noticed recently, a wedding party experiencing an awful time gaining access to the church, for a wedding, not acceptable. Awful, these entrances must be kept clear at all times and this should be made your priority A.S.A.P. As for Church Lane doctors need to be able to come straight into this complex not having to park up the road, and walking the rest of the way.
1			Great relief to see Church Lane & Bailiffgate properly!
		1	Thank you for your correspondence dated 25th July 2018 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 outpatient appointments. I would thank you for your consultation on this matter and offer our support for the on-going road safety programme.
	1		As a resident of Church Lane and non driver I am totally dependent on deliveries to peruse my hobbies and retired life I am wholeheartedly against such a proposal and effects over time. They are ill considered to local inhabitants.
1			I am a pedestrian and have to stand in the road before I can be sure it's safe to cross to Dispensary Street, which I do every day. My view to Cannongate is dangerously obstructed.
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DECISION TAKEN

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

Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services

Subject:

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PARKING RESTRICTION, BAILIFFGATE,
ALNWICK**

Consultation

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Decision Taken:

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

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



Date

23/1/19

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