



Northumberland

County Council

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES

Paul Jones

Speed Limit reduction measures in Carrshield Village

Cabinet Member: Glen Sanderson - Environment & Local Services

Purpose of Report

This report sets out the background to the proposed graduated 40 MPH and 30 MPH speed limit along the C294 in and around Carrshield Village.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the existing derestricted speed limit operating throughout Carrshield Village on the C294 is reduced to 40 MPH and then 30 MPH in graduated fashion when approaching Carrshield from either direction of travel.

Link to Corporate Plan

Living - "We want you to feel safe, healthy and cared for"

Enjoying - "We want you to love where you live"

Learning - "We want you to achieve and realise your potential"

Key Issues

1. The proposal has been developed following concerns raised by residents in the area, the elected member and the Parish Council.
2. The village has several private driveways which are accessed directly onto a derestricted speed limit on the C294.
3. The scheme is supported by Councillor Horncastle and the West Allen Parish Council.
4. The scheme will be funded from the 2019/20 LTP programme.

Background

Carrshield Village consists of a single carriageway with a narrow footway which runs along the east side only. Several residential dwellings and a small farm are situated along the east side with driveway and gated footpath accesses fronting onto the C294. Some sporadic housing is located along the western extents, where visibility is restricted due to a stone wall.

Existing traffic signing and road markings are limited to centre lines, intermittent 'slow' markings, marker posts and a 'Carrshield' nameplate sign provided for southbound traffic only.



Photograph 1: C294 Carrshield southbound approach showing limited 'gateway' entry signing and markings

Graduated/transitioned 40 MPH and 30 MPH Speed Limit

A transitioned speed limit approach is proposed in this instance which is acceptable for use in rural locations on approaches to or on the outskirts of villages. Before entering Carrshield Village the speed limit will be reduced from National Speed Limit to 40 MPH and then 30 MPH throughout the village itself.

The 40 MPH signs will incorporate 'Welcome to Carrshield, please drive slowly' text and speed limit roundels on the ground to act as a gateway features to the village. 'Slow' road marking text will also be installed approximately 50 metres in advance of the gateway feature.

It is expected that the speed limit reduction measures will promote slower traffic speeds in the village where the presence of pedestrians is more prominent and where vehicle turning manoeuvres are taking place to gain access and egress to/from residential properties.

Details of the proposals are shown on the plan at Appendix A.

Delegated Decision

Council Officers have worked closely with Councillor Horncastle and the Parish Council on the scheme.

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

Delegated Decision

Implications Arising out of the Report

Policy	Consistent with existing policies
Finance and value for money	Scheme will be financed from LTP 2019/20
Legal	Traffic Regulation Orders (reference TROM_156)
Procurement	Signage and road markings to meet Regulations for Traffic Regulation Orders
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities (Impact Assessment attached) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
Risk Assessment	None
Crime & Disorder	Regulations in place to carry out enforcement.
Customer Consideration	A reduction in speed will lead to a safer environment for all road users.
Carbon reduction	Speed reduction assists with carbon reduction
Wards	South Tynedale Ward

Delegated Decision

Background papers:

File reference - S:\Highways\PROJECT\18\HF LOCAL SAFETY
SCHEMES\Local Safety Schemes\Rural Roads\HF185551 - C294 at
Carrshield - Village Nameplates etc

Appendix A – Scheme Plan - HF185551-XX-C294-10-01 C294 at Carrshield

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DECISION TAKEN

Title of Officer: Service Director, Local Services


Subject: Proposed graduated 40 MPH and 30 MPH speed limit along the C294 in and around Carrshield Village.

Consultation: Not required for introduction of a 40 MPH or a 30 MPH Speed Limit Restriction within the vicinity of Carrshield Village – proposal supported by Local County Councillor, and notified to Northumbria Police.

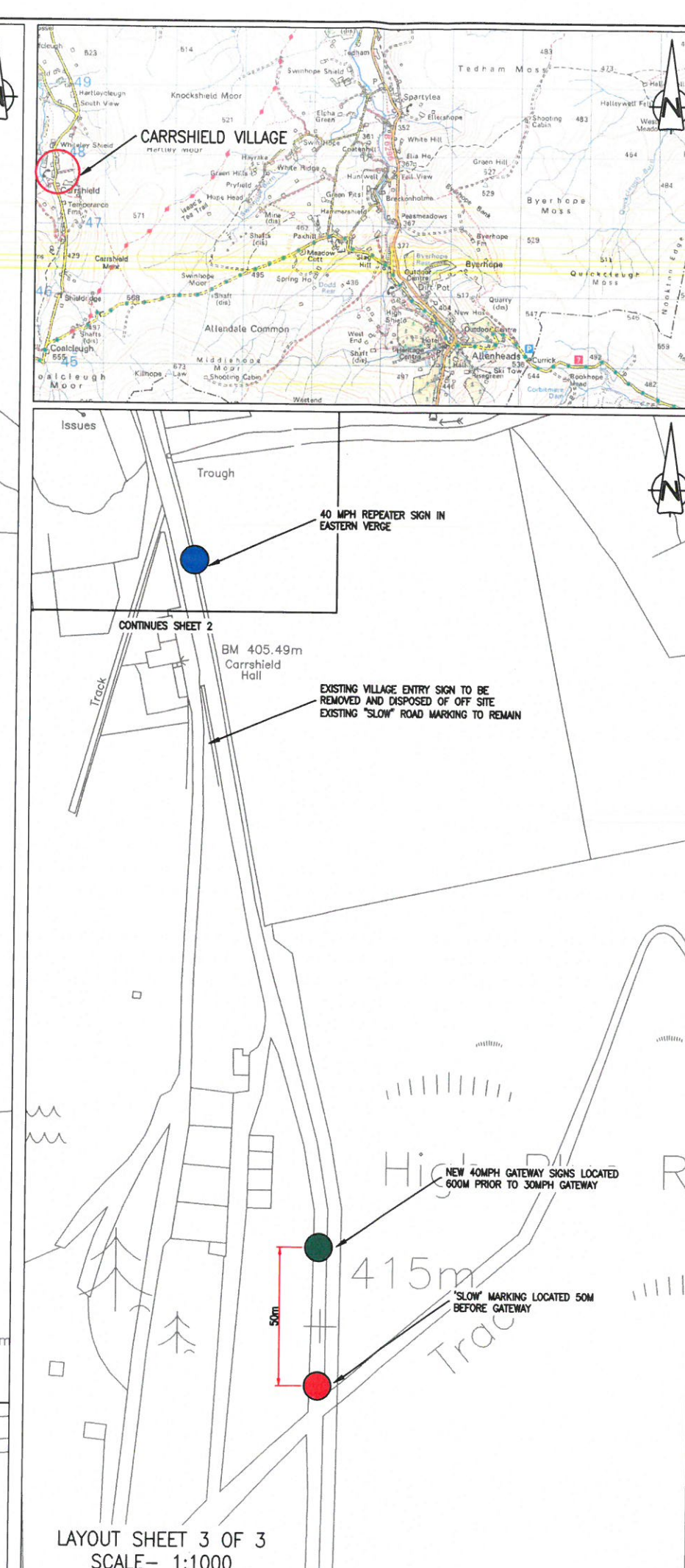
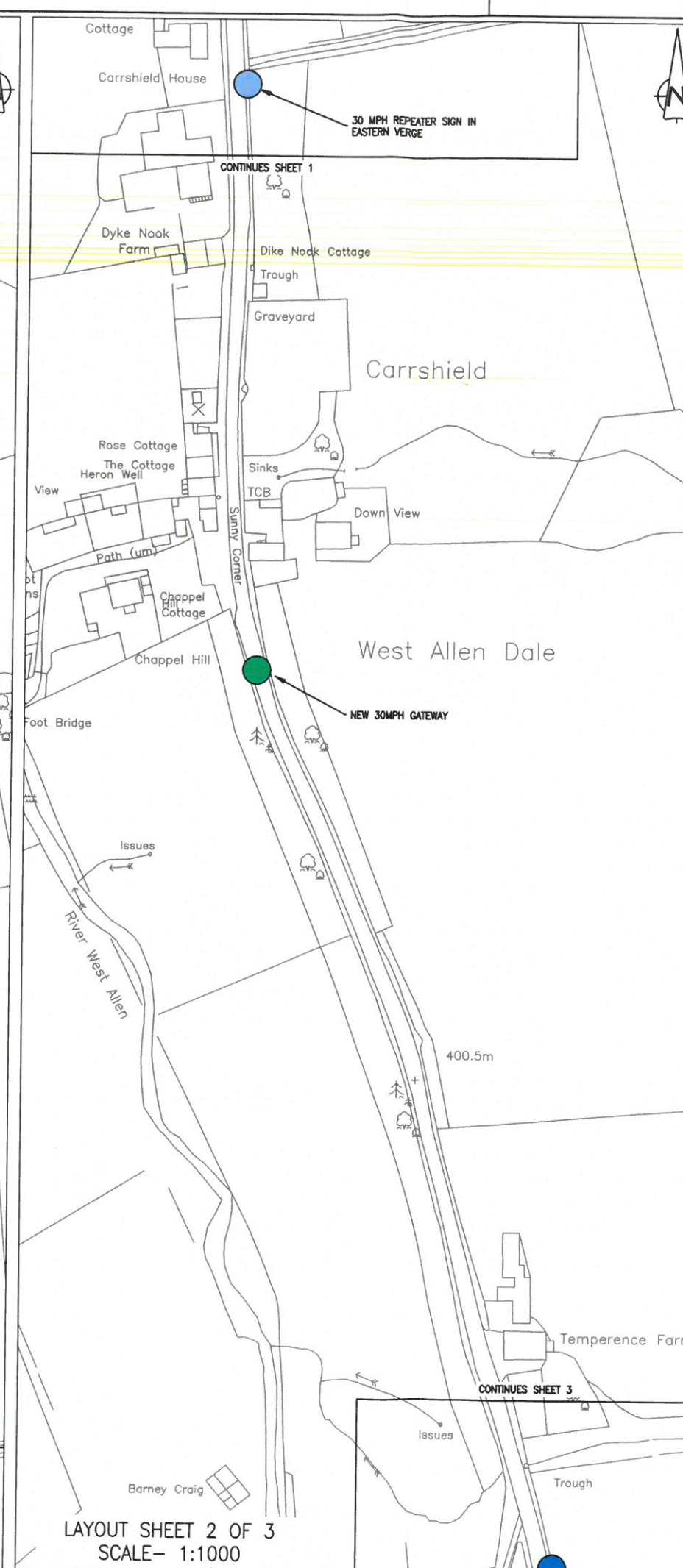
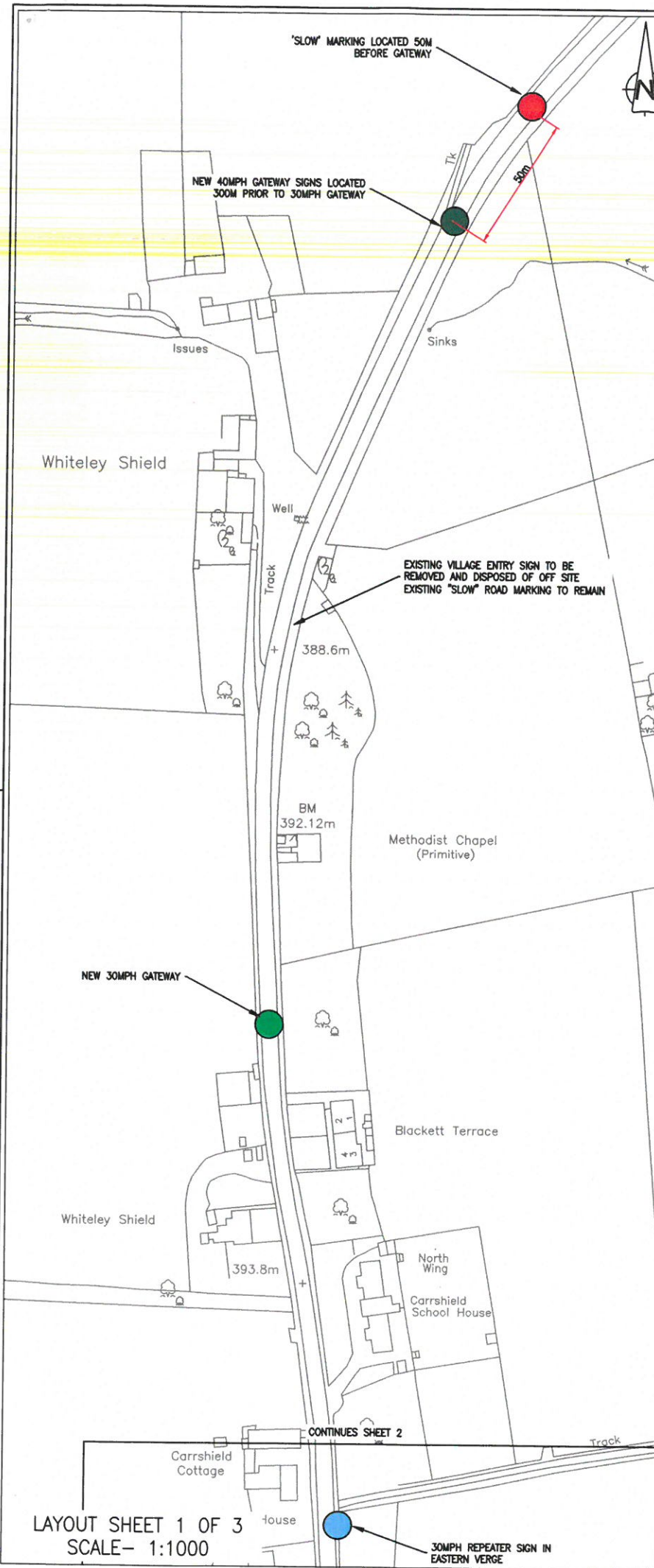
Decision Taken: To introduce a graduated speed limit (40 MPH and 30 MPH) along the C294 in advance of and within Carrshield Village.

Signature of Director

Date


29/5/19

Appendix A



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NOTES






1.0 GENERAL

1.1 ALL DIMENSIONS IN [mm] UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE

1.2 ALL LEVELS IN [m] IN REFERENCE TO GPS CO-ORDINATE SYSTEM

1.3 DRAWING SHOULD BE READ IN CONJUNCTION
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2.0 LEGEND

-  40MPH GATEWAY
-  30MPH GATEWAY
-  40 MPH REPEATER SIGN
-  30 MPH REPEATER SIGN
-  "SLOW" ROAD MARKING

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