



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

**Paul Jones**

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**Proposed No Waiting at Any Time Restrictions,  
Main Street, Acomb**

**Cabinet Member: Councillor Glen Sanderson**

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**Purpose of Report**

To consider the introduction of proposed parking restrictions on Main Street, Acomb.

**Recommendations**

It is recommended that the following parking restrictions are **not** introduced: No Waiting at Any Time restrictions (Double yellow Lines) not be introduced on Main Street, Acomb.

**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. Residents have raised safety concerns for both pedestrians and motorists caused by parked cars on Main Street, Acomb.
2. The scheme was to be funded by Councillor Cessford, through his Members' Local Improvement Allowance.
3. Following consultation it is recommended that the proposal to introduce restrictions is not progressed.

## **Delegated decisions**

### **Background**

1. Residents contacted their local Ward member with concerns regarding safety issues for both pedestrians and motorists caused by parked cars on Main Street, Acomb.
2. Indiscriminate parking on the road is making it difficult for residents to negotiate this road safely.
3. After meeting with Councillor Cessford, officers proposed that "No Waiting at Any Time" restrictions be introduced in order to alleviate these concerns.
4. A consultation letter was sent to 11 residents and 18 statutory consultees on the proposed parking restrictions. A copy of the consultation letter and plan are attached in Appendix A.
5. 4 responses were received as a result of the consultation letter, with 1 in favour, 3 against and 0 neither for nor against the proposal. A summary of the responses is attached as Appendix B.
6. The results of the consultation were discussed with Councillor Cessford, who agreed that the restrictions should not be introduced.

## Delegated decisions

### Implications Arising out of the Report

<b>Policy</b>	None
<b>Finance and value for money</b>	None
<b>Legal</b>	None
<b>Procurement</b>	
<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"/>	None
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	None
<b>Crime &amp; Disorder</b>	None
<b>Customer Consideration</b>	None
<b>Carbon reduction</b>	N/A
<b>Wards</b>	Hexham Central with Acomb

### **Background papers:**

File ref: 2019/024

### **Appendix Index**

Appendix A - Consultation Letter and Plan

Appendix B - Consultation Responses

## Delegated decisions

### Report sign off.

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

	initials
Finance Officer	N/A
Monitoring Officer/Legal	N/A
Human Resources	N/A
Procurement	N/A
I.T.	N/A
Director	
Portfolio Holder(s)	

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## County Council

**Your ref:**

**Our ref:** 2019/024

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**Date:** Tuesday 4th June 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

### **Proposed Parking Restrictions Main Street, Acomb**

Following feedback received from the consultation conducted in October/November 2018, requesting your views on the proposed parking restrictions on Main Street, Acomb. Councillor Cessford has instructed us to amend the original plans and re-consult the residents affected by these proposed parking restrictions.

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 proposal to introduce No Waiting At Any Time Restrictions on the C238 Main Street, Acomb as shown on the attached plan.

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 for Local Services and may be available for public inspection. The closing date for any comments you may wish to make is Friday 19th July 2019. 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.**

Yours faithfully

*S Hudson*

Sarah Hudson

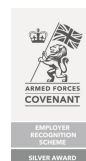
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Post Code	F O R	A G A I N S T	N E I T H E R	Other Relevant Comments
NE46 4PT		1		Following receiving a letter from Northumberland County Council regarding the proposed parking restrictions, I write to raise my objection to the proposal. I have lived at this property since 2003 and to the best of my knowledge there have been no accidents or incidents regarding traffic safety issues. If the proposed double yellow lines are enforced, this will cause much inconvenience to me because I shall no longer be able to park outside the front of my house. Not only will this cause me great inconvenience, but the security of my vehicle will be compromised. More importantly, the proposed double yellow lines will run the full length of the front of my house and I feel this will have a significant impact on the de value in price of my property.
NE46 4NH	1			
NE46 4PT		1		There is no need for yellow lines at the NW element of the Main St / Millers Field - I have NEVER seen anyone park at the point. It is only post 5pm that car park in the proposed plan. The line is too long anyway on the Main Street element NW corner. The yellow lines could be done away with who would enforce them. Rather more severe speed restrictions along the entire length of Main Street. This would be much more effective in solving the problem you propose to solve with yellow lines.
NE46 4PT		1		The proposed parking restrictions on Main Street seem to be over the top reaction to rarely seen problem parking at the junction. Whilst on the odd occasion, weekends when residents are not at work and more so Sundays when there are visitors, vehicles do park close to the junction there is no problem in crossing the junction if due caution is used. The addition of double yellow lines would be at best ugly in a conservation area. It would also reduce available parking for both residents and visitors, making it more likely for vehicles to be parked on both sides of the road. This would add further problems for the passage of the large agricultural vehicles that use Main Street regularly. If these double yellow lines were to be introduced how would the regulation be enforced? Further it must be considered that this potential action may affect house prices.
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## DECISION TAKEN

**Title of Officer:**

Service Director, Local Services

**Subject:**

Proposed No Waiting at Any Time  
restrictions (Double yellow Lines)  
not be introduced on Main Street,  
Acomb.

**Consultation**

For: 1  
Against: 3  
Neutral: 0

**Decision Taken:**

To not introduce the parking restrictions

Signature of Director



Date

