



Northumberland County Council

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR OF LOCAL SERVICES

PAUL JONES

PROPOSED NO WAITING AT ANY TIME PARKING & SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR RESTRICTIONS AT SEATON SLUICE FIRST SCHOOL

Cabinet Member: Glen Sanderson

Purpose of Report

To consider the introduction of proposed parking restrictions at Seaton Sluice First School due to road safety concerns.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the following parking restrictions are introduced:
No Waiting at Any Time restrictions (Double yellow Lines) and No Waiting 08:30 - 09:30 & 14:30 - 16:00 Mon - Fri restrictions (School Keep Clears) at Seaton Sluice First School.

Link to Corporate Plan

How - "We want to be efficient, open and work for everyone"

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

Connecting - "We want you to have access to the things you need"

Key Issues

1. Concerns have been raised with the local councillor about inconsiderate parking occurring at Seaton Sluice First School.
2. Vehicles are parking on junctions causing sightline problems.
3. Restrictions are to be introduced without any formal consultation in order to address road safety concerns raised by local residents.

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4. The scheme is supported by Councillor Dungworth and will be paid for through Cllr Dungworth's Members Local Improvement Scheme funding.

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Background

Vehicles are parking at school pick up and drop off times, as they are currently permitted to do so, they are blocking the sight lines of vehicles exiting roads which join the main route past the school. This inconsiderate parking has raised road safety concerns that have been reported to the local county councillor.

The Highway Code states "DO NOT stop or park opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space". This is to allow sight lines to be kept clear.

After discussing the complaints with the Local County Councillor it was agreed that double yellow lines and school keep clear markings should be introduced without any formal consultation due to the restrictions being necessary on road safety grounds.

Consultation

The introduction of additional No Waiting At Any Time and School Keep Clear parking restrictions will be introduced without consultation due to significant road safety concerns in the area. The 30 statutory consultees including the emergency services and various disabled and transport organisations/associations as well as the Chief Officer of Police will be consulted through the order making process. A plan showing the proposals is attached as Appendix A.

From the outset, the County Council has endeavoured to respond positively to local concerns raised in this area and it is inevitable that some individuals in the community will be dissatisfied with whichever decision is reached.

Recommendation

The introduction of parking restrictions without consultation can be a contentious matter, but due to the road safety concerns in the area and support from the Local County Councillor, it is recommended that the "No Waiting At Any Time" (double yellow lines) and "School Keep Clears" are introduced at Seaton Sluice 1st School.

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Implications Arising out of the Report

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| Policy | Consistent with existing policies |
| Finance and value for money | Funded through the Members Local Improvement allocation for Councillor Dungworth |
| Legal | Preparation of Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) |
| 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 | The proposal will improve safety for road users including residents and visitors. |
| Crime & Disorder | Inconsiderate parking |
| Customer Consideration | The proposal will improve safety for road users including residents and visitors |
| Carbon reduction | None |
| Wards | Hartley |

Background papers:

2018/104 - HO196562

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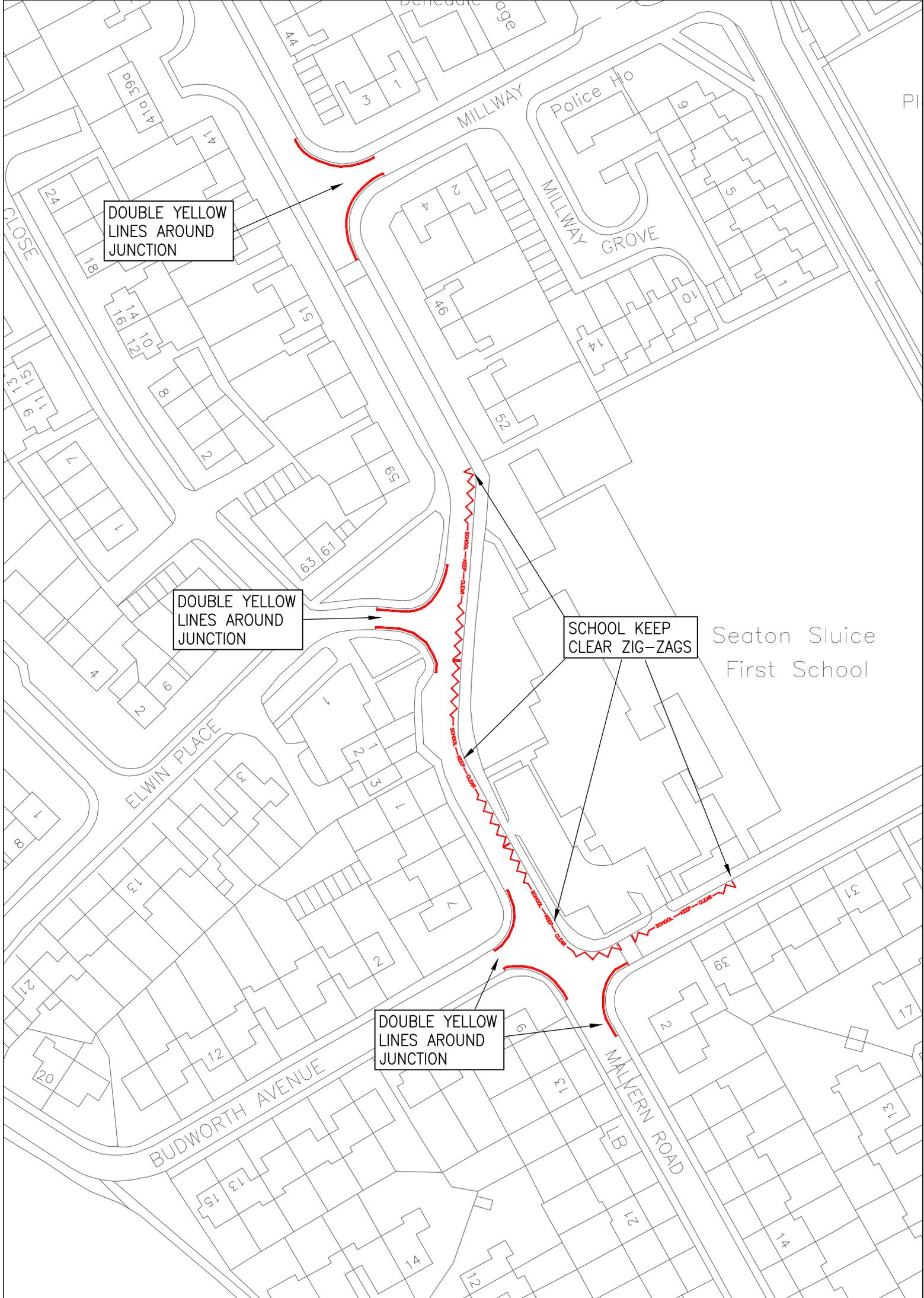
Appendix A - Plan

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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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SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR ZIG-ZAGS

Seaton Sluice First School

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Title of Officer:

Paul Jones - Service Director -Local Services

Subject:

Proposed No Waiting at Any Time restrictions (Double yellow Lines) and No Waiting 08:30 - 09:30 & 14:30 - 16:00 Mon - Fri restrictions (School Keep Clears) be introduced at Seaton Sluice 1st School.

Consultation:

No Consultation undertaken. Restriction introduced on safety grounds

Decision Taken:

To introduce a "No Waiting at Any Time" and "School Keep Clear" parking restrictions at Seaton Sluice 1st School.

Signature of Director



Date

20/12/19