



# Northumberland

## County Council

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

**Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services**

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#### **PROPOSED RESIDENTS PERMIT PARKING, BURDON TERRACE, BEDLINGTON**

**Cabinet Member: Councillor Glen Sanderson**

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#### **Purpose of Report**

To consider the results of the consultation exercise regarding a proposal to provide residents permit parking at Burdon Terrace in Bedlington.

#### **Recommendations**

It is recommended that the proposed residents permit parking is not 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 via the local ward member about indiscriminate parking in Burdon Terrace.

The consultation did not result in a clear majority in favour of the proposal.

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### Background

1. The County Council has received concerns via the local ward member about indiscriminate parking in Burdon Terrace.
2. Burdon Terrace is a residential street located immediately behind the B1331 Ridge Terrace, close to the Red Lion roundabout.
3. The street is located close to West End First School and is used by some parents to park when dropping off and picking up school children.
4. In addition, some elderly residents stated that they find it difficult to park at or close to their homes, which can be a problem for those with limited mobility.
5. Residents and statutory consultees were therefore consulted on a proposal to provide a residents permit parking scheme. A copy of the consultation plan is shown in Appendix A.
6. The consultation results were:
  - For: 7
  - Against: 7
  - Neutral: 0
7. These responses do not show a majority in favour. A copy of the consultation responses is shown in Appendix B.
8. The Senior Civil Enforcement Officer stated that no issues had been reported or encountered by Parking Services in this street. Many of the responses stated that there is only a problem at school times.
9. The local ward member has agreed that the scheme does not have sufficient support to go ahead.
10. It is therefore recommended that the proposed residents permit parking is not implemented.

### 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>	None



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<b>Human Resources</b>	None
<b>Property</b>	None
<b>Equalities</b> (Impact Assessment attached) <del>Yes</del> <del>No</del> N/A	None
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	None
<b>Crime &amp; Disorder</b>	None
<b>Customer Consideration</b>	Statutory consultees have been consulted.
<b>Carbon reduction</b>	None
<b>Wards</b>	Bedlington Central.

## Background papers:

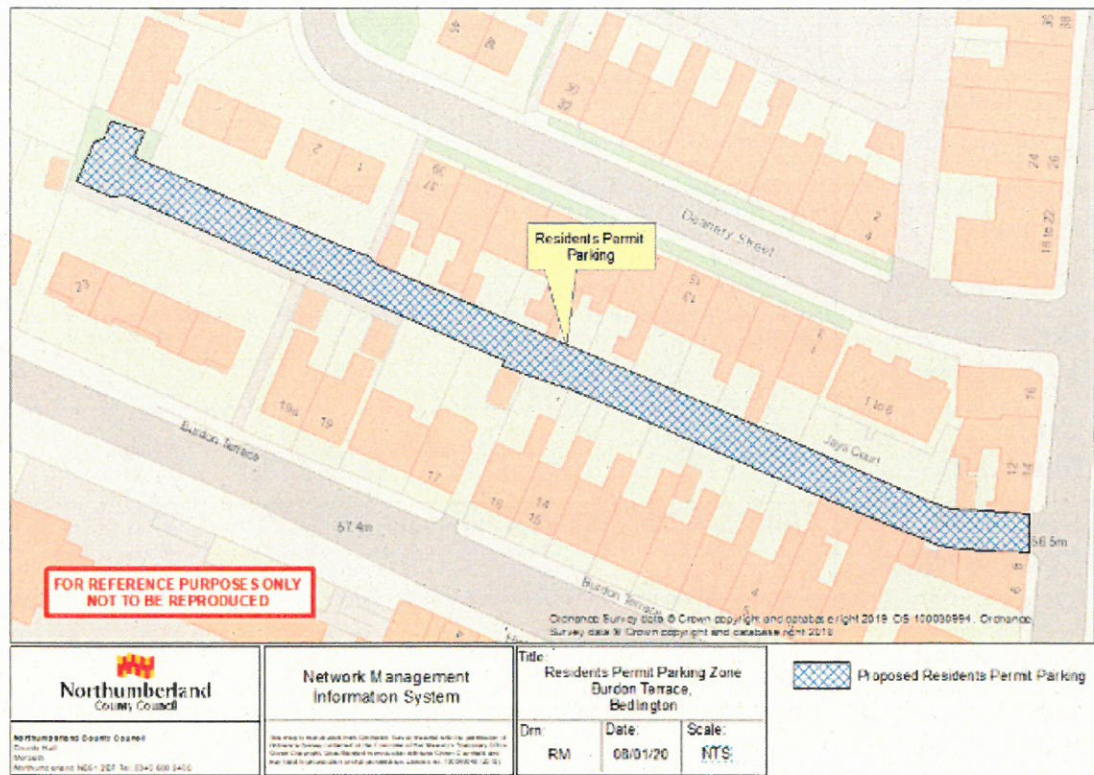
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## Appendix A - Consultation Plan





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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 not had one complaint about this back lane in nearly eight years of enforcement in the South East. Whilst I appreciate there may be issues surrounding school times from Ridge Terrace the implementation of this scheme would only push vehicles onto Deanery Street and Glebe Road thus moving the problem to a different area. What will be done to protect these streets?
1			I received a letter regarding looking into school time car parking not just Burdon Terrace what about bungalows 1 to 4 Bishops Meadows people who don't live in these streets are parking there cars right close to your own gate entrance nearly impossible to get in and out and leave then for about 15 minutes each time morning and afternoon Its really now time something was done about, do you not think so last friday 10-1-2020 from about 2.45 to 3.10 its chaos cars double parked and people who live in Bishops Meadow cannot get in or out do you not think a inspector should come out and see for himself or maybe posters made and attached to gates of 1 to 4 Bishops Meadow its ridiculous please look in to this server problem many many thanks. P.T.O its also causing arguments in Bishops Meadow beside 1 to 4 bungalows and Deanery St, when people live there and cannot park their own cars outside where they live for strangers. Please put a stop to it.
1			Will this street be regularly monitored by 'Parking Attendants'? What will the penalty/deterrent be to people who park without permits? A big concern is that this will further encourage people (mainly school parents) to park in the narrow back lane between Burdon Terrace and Deawery Street, especially blocking the 'cul de sac' (X -X) which already causes difficulties. However the proposal for permits is well received and will hopefully go through
1			I am one of the Residents of The bungalows X -X in Burden Terrace. We were the original applicants for the permit parking. These bungalows are for people over 60 with disabilities, and we have no end of bother with people parking outside our properties mainly residents living at the end of Burdon Terrace, Houses X to Burdon House if you complain to them you get nothing but abuse, which at my age I find is totally unfair, they have the choice to park at the front or back of their houses where we have only the back as West end Primary School is opposite the bungalows plus at crossing area.We in the bungalow are saying to have the whole of Burdon Terrace residents parking will make no difference as those parking in our places outside won't park anywhere else? I don't think you will get 75% here ( as we for residence where 100%)



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1	<p>I am the tenant at X Burdon Terrace, I suffer for C.O.P.D and arthritis which is progressing and will continue to do so. Many a time I have come home to not being able to park due to people who live up the top of Burdon Terrace (who have parking at rear and front) and also to people taking and collecting children from West End School. The 4 bungalows are all lived in by people with a disability - as why we pay for emergency cords within our properties. If it should ever happen that emergency services were call they would find it impossible to get to us or turn around. I was refused a disabled parking bay in 2018. The only way I can see forward with this problem is to put 4 bays in for us disaled people at our doors - as sheer ignorance pays a massive part in this huge problem we have. People even park on pavement outside my front gate which is next to the section towards traffic lights. you maybe need to come and see for yourself how massive and inconvenient it is to us. I cannot walk far and should not have all this trouble when I am disabled and have a mental illness of anxiety and depression being made worse by not being able to get to my home through others who have a nerve parking at their own properties.</p>
1	<p>Restrictions on parking will &amp; do have detrimental impact on neighbouring streets which are already at capacity at certain times of day. More effective to traffic HGV &amp; service vehicles restricted from congested areas during key times, especially school drop off &amp; pick up times. Do not support the concept of a resident without driveway, having to pay to park at their own property.</p>
1	<p>We wish to voice our concerns regarding the proposed "Residents Permit Parking" at the rear of Burdon Terrace, Bedlington. We do not reside in the street to be affected, however we do volunteer at the old scouts arena at the west end of the rear of Burdon and Deanery Streets. The building has for more than 45 years housed the Bedlingtonshire Gardeners and Allotment holders Association, this is a not for profit organisation which serves the community with composts and garden sundries which run solely by unpaid volunteers on Saturday and Sunday mornings. I must stress that all volunteers do not bring their cars to the street and park whilst the building is open we all walk. The comings and goings of cars for people who use this facility do so in an orderly manner and do not create a nuisance for the residents of the surrounding properties they simply load and go. This for a good percentage of people is more of a necessity due to them being elderly and are unable to carry larger or heavy items to cars that are not parked at hand. We as volunteers also help load vehicles with items which some are unable to manage for one reason or another. No one informed any of the volunteers either or by posted notice on the building door, we found our purely by chance two days before the end of the consultation period. Can I please ask you to consider the activities of the Association before making any decision as we feel blanket restrictions on parking in the back street is likely to have serious implications for the organisation and what we do for the community and would inevitably end up with the closure of this much valued asset.</p>
1	<p>I think this will be a good thing as the flow of traffic along that road is really heavy and you have to park away from your home.</p>
1	<p>We are a 3 car household so this proposal is a good idea however, I would like to suggest consideration be given to the introduction of permit parking on the main road at the front of Burdon Terrace as parking is a concern here also. We would be more than happy to pay for permits for this area also. Would a permit be required for a vehicle with a blue badge? We are in the process of applying for one for our son.</p>



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			Burdon Terrace on the main street does have an issue with parking, particularly during school drop off/pick up times. However, the highlighted street on the consultation plan has not been as much of an issue. as a resident of Jays Court with allocated off street parking (assuming with allocated parking I would not require a permit) I have no issue with this proposal in principle however, I am reluctant to support this. If there are not specifications/rules on the location of resident parking along Burdon Terrace to ensure that the residents of Jays Court and those further along are able to safely get their cars in and out of their bays. The street highlighted on the plan is narrow at points and if a car parked on the street behind Jays Court but put a permit up, I would be unable to get my car out of my bay which is a necessity for work.
1	1		is this for the front st of burdon terrace
		1	I would like to comment on the above restrictions which are proposed for Burdon Terrace. Firstly the issues raised regarding parking are only an issue during school times. I do not believe it is fair to ask residents to pay £25 each year and only be allowed two permits per household which means visitors may face a fine, for an issue that is only present during school hours. Surely there is a method to restrict parking during these hours that will not mean residents face a charge or possible fines if they do not apply for permits. Secondly the Bungalows at the top of Burdon Terrace are socially rented bungalows, does this mean if residents have an issue such as a repair to their property the maintenance company operatives will face fines as they are not able to park on the lane without a permit, they can not park on the main road due to existing restrictions. Thirdly there is a community asset operates out of the old scout hut at the top of Burdon Terrace (the Bedlington Allotment Hut) which provides gardening materials such as compost, etc. to residents and allotment holders from Bedlington on a not for profit basis, if the parking restrictions are allowed there the hut will most likely close as people will not be able to load their cars with the goods purchased and deliveries will not be able to be offloaded during the week. I would like to ask Northumberland county council to look at this issues again and discuss with all parties before any decision is made.
1			My husband and I are in support of the Residents Parking Permit as long as we can have some kind of signage or double yellow lines in the Hammerhead, this is meant to be a turning point in the back lane but lots of people keep parking their cars in there which makes it extremely difficult to turn the car around, also could we have some kind of signage to stop everyone from parking either outside our garage or on our land, my land is private parking only but I have residents from the bungalow allowing their families to park on my land or park on the road blocking the garage, which has caused no end of grief. I have been fighting this parking issue since I first bought the house in 2004 but to no avail. I look forward to the outcome of this matter.
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## DECISION TAKEN

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

Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services

**Subject:**

PROPOSED RESIDENTS PERMIT PARKING,  
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**Consultation**

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**Decision Taken:**

It is recommended that the proposed residents permit parking is not implemented.

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

**Date**



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