

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES

Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services

PROPOSED 20mph SPEED LIMIT, TYNE GREEN ROAD, HEXHAM

Cabinet Member: Councillor Glen Sanderson, Environment & Local Services

Purpose of Report

To consider the results of the consultation exercise regarding the proposal to implement a 20mph speed limit on Tyne Green Road in Hexham.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the proposed 20mph speed limit is implemented.

Link to Corporate Plan

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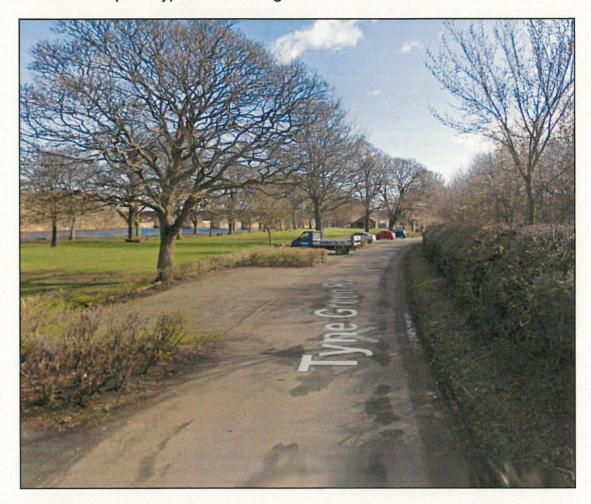
Key Issues

The County Council has received concerns via the local ward member about traffic speeds on Tyne Green Road.

Delegated decisions

Background

- 1. The County Council has received concerns via the local ward member about traffic speeds on Tyne Green Road in Hexham.
- 2. Tyne Green Road is a no through road serving Tyne Green Country Park and Golf Club. It is narrow, rural in nature, has parking bays along its length and is used by cyclists on the Hadrian's Cycleway route. The current speed limit is 30mph. A typical view along the road is shown below.



- Tyne Green Country Park is a popular destination year round and, as such, experiences significant numbers of pedestrians as well as vehicles. The nature of the area therefore means that a low speed environment is appropriate.
- 4. Government guidance on speed limits suggests that signed-only 20mph speed limits are most appropriate for areas where vehicle speeds are already low. If the mean speed is below 24mph, general compliance with the new speed limit is likely to be achieved.
- 5. A speed survey undertaken in 2015 recorded average speeds of 23.4mph (westbound) and 18.5mph (eastbound), so a signed-only 20mph speed limit is considered appropriate.

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- 6. Statutory consultees were therefore consulted on a proposal to introduce a 20mph speed limit.
- 7. Only one response was received from Cycling UK who support the proposal.
- 8. The local ward member supports the proposal.
- 9. It is therefore recommended that the 20mph speed limit be implemented.

Implications Arising out of the Report

Policy	None
Finance and value for money The scheme will be funded through the Local Transport Plan Programme.	
Legal	Motorists will be required to comply with the Traffic Regulation Order.
Procurement	None
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities	None
(Impact Assessment attached)	
Yes No N/A	
Risk Assessment	None
Crime & Disorder	None
Customer Consideration	Local residents and statutory consultees have been consulted.
Carbon reduction	None
Wards	Hexham Central with Acomb.

Background papers:

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Report sign off.

Delegated decisions

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

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Human Resources	n/a
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DECISION TAKEN

Title of Officer(s) and Portfolio Holder (where appropriate):	Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services
Subject:	PROPOSED 20mph SPEED LIMIT, TYNE GREEN ROAD, HEXHAM
Consultation	Statutory consultees have been consulted. One response in favour.
Decision Taken:	The proposed 20mph speed limit should be implemented.
Signature of Director/ officer/Portfolio Holder (where appropriate)*	
Date	4/2/20
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