



# Northumberland County Council

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

**Paul Jones  
22 December 2020**

---

### **Proposed Traffic Calming Measures – U8171 Garden House Bank, Acomb**

**Cabinet Member: Glen Sanderson – Leader of Council**

---

#### **Purpose of Report**

To consider the introduction Traffic Calming Measures – U8171 Garden House Bank, Acomb due to traffic safety concerns.

#### **Recommendations**

It is recommended that Traffic Calming Measures are introduced on the U8171 Garden House Bank, 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"

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

#### **Key Issues**

1. Residents have raised safety concerns for both pedestrians and motorists caused by speeding traffic on Garden House Bank, Acomb
2. The scheme is supported by Cllr Cessford and the Local Parish Council.

## Delegated Decision

---

### Background

Concerns have been raised by local residents with Councillor Cessford and the Parish Council about excessive vehicular speed and road safety on the Garden House Bank, Acomb. Which is currently used as a “short cut”, to and from the A6079.

Given the concerns raised, speed surveys were undertaken and these have provided evidence that vehicles are exceeding the current 30mph speed limit. In addition to the fact that Garden House Bank is particularly narrow in places (see photo below), the NCC Design team in discussion with NCC Traffic Safety Offices, Councillor Cessford and the Parish Council have proposed the following scheme to include:

- 75mm high speed cushions.
- The introduction of a 20 MPH Speed Limit on Garden House Bank
- For consistency within Acomb the introduction of a 20 MPH Speed Limit in Redburn Crescent and Orchard Avenue, which also access the main A6079 through Acomb

It is anticipated that these proposed measures will provide a safer environment in this area for all road users.



### An example of the proposed speed hump

This scheme will be programmed with a proposed resurfacing scheme in Acomb in early 2021. Thereby minimising disruption to for road users and providing economies of scale for the project.



**Satellite view of Garden House Bank, Redburn Crescent and Orchard Avenue Acomb.**

### **Consultation**

The proposed scheme will be introduced due to the road safety concerns at this location. A formal consultation did not take place, however Councillor Cessford and the Parish Council carried out an extensive canvassing of the local residents of Acomb.

The scheme is supported by Councillor Cessford, the Parish Council and local residents and funded through 2020/21 LTP funds.



## Delegated Decision

---



**Garden House Bank heading North East from the A6079**

Northumbria Police, other emergency services and relevant statutory consultees will be notified of these amendments as part of the legal process for making the permanent Traffic Regulation Orders and Noticing of the Introduction Traffic Calming Measures.



**Garden House Bank heading North East approaching Main Street Acomb**

## Delegated Decision

---

### Implications Arising out of the Report

<b>Policy</b>	None
<b>Finance and value for money</b>	Funded through LTP 20/21 allocation.
<b>Legal</b>	Traffic Regulation Order (TROM_207) and Notice of the Introduction Traffic Calming Measures
<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>	The scheme has been designed to minimise the road safety concerns that are caused excessive speeds of motor vehicles
<b>Crime &amp; Disorder</b>	Traffic safety concerns i.e. speeding traffic
<b>Customer Consideration</b>	Scheme is anticipated to improve road safety for residents and road users in the area
<b>Carbon reduction</b>	Reduced speeds will contribute to carbon reduction
<b>Wards</b>	Hexham Central with Acomb

## **Delegated Decision**

---

### **Background papers:**

S:\Highways\PROJECT\19\West and Castle Morpeth\non principal\HD190118  
U8171 Garden House Bank Acomb

### **Appendix Index**

Appendix A - Scheme Plan

### **Author and Contact Details**

---

Report Author    **Terry Luck - Programme Officer**

## **Delegated Decision**

---

### **DECISION TAKEN**

**Title of Officer:** Service Director, Local Services

**Subject:** Proposed Traffic Calming Measures – U8171 Garden House Bank, Acomb

**Consultation:** Not required for the introduction on road safety initiative grounds. Local canvassing was undertaken by Local Councillor and Parish Council. The scheme is supported by the local Councillor and Northumbria Police.

**Decision Taken:** To introduce the Traffic Calming Measures as proposed

Signature of Director



---

**Date**  
23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020

---

# Delegated Decision

## Appendix A – Scheme Plan

ROAD MARKINGS SCHEDULE				
REF	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	REF	US
1		...	...	...
2		...	...	...
3		...	...	...
4		...	...	...
5		...	...	...
6		...	...	...
7		...	...	...
8		...	...	...
9		...	...	...
10		...	...	...
11		...	...	...
12		...	...	...
13		...	...	...
14		...	...	...
15		...	...	...

E-TYPE TRAFFIC SIGNS (2000 SERIES)									
REF	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	REF	US					
1		...	...	...					
2		...	...	...					

E-TYPE TRAFFIC SIGNS (2000 SERIES)									
REF	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	REF	US					
1		...	...	...					
2		...	...	...					

**SPEED HUMP DETAIL**

**EXAMPLE OF SPEED HUMP**

**Northumberland County Council**

Technical Services

118 Quayside

NEWCASTLE

NE1 7LQ

0191 278 2000

www.northumberland.gov.uk

11/11/15