



Northumberland County Council

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES

Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services

PROPOSED EXPERIMENTAL 'NO WAITING AT ANY TIME' PARKING RESTRICTIONS, C157 BOLAM LAKE

Cabinet Member: Councillor Glen Sanderson

Purpose of Report

To consider a proposal to provide experimental 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restrictions (double yellow lines), on the C157 at Bolam Lake Country Park.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the proposed Experimental No Waiting at Any Time parking restrictions are 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 about roadside parking on the C157 road between the access to the Bolam Lake west car park and Bolam West Houses by those seeking to avoid parking charges in the car park.

The roadside parking affects visibility and restricts movement by agricultural vehicles.

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Background

1. The County Council has received concerns about roadside parking on the C157 road between the access to the Bolam Lake west car park and Bolam West Houses.
2. Double yellow lines are currently in place on both sides of the C157 to the east of the car park entrance, but there are no restrictions to the west.
3. Significant roadside parking is taking place west of the car park entrance by those seeking to avoid parking charges and also when the car parks at the country park are full.
4. Countryside staff have reported continuous roadside parking of over 20 vehicles at busy times.
5. This parking narrows the road for a significant distance meaning westbound vehicles must use part of the eastbound lane to pass, leading to conflict with oncoming vehicles.
6. A significant amount of large agricultural vehicles use the road and parked cars can hinder their ability to move through the area.
7. This section of road includes a bend and parking can obstruct forward visibility for through traffic.
8. Statutory consultees were therefore consulted on a proposal to provide double yellow lines west of the car park entrance as indicated in red on the plan below.



9. It is intended to provide these lines on an experimental basis initially, in order to assess their effectiveness and to allow for the extent to be altered depending on the scale of the problem.
10. No responses were received to the consultation. However, Officers in the Council's Countryside Team support the proposal.

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11. It is therefore recommended that the proposed double yellow lines are implemented on an experimental basis for a period of 18 months to allow their effectiveness to be monitored and reviewed.

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 (Impact Assessment attached) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	None
Risk Assessment	None
Crime & Disorder	None
Customer Consideration	Statutory consultees have been consulted.
Carbon reduction	None
Wards	Ponteland North

Background papers:

File ref: HE203423

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Report sign off.

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

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Monitoring Officer/Legal	n/a
Human Resources	n/a
Procurement	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 EXPERIMENTAL 'NO WAITING AT ANY TIME' PARKING RESTRICTIONS, C157 BOLAM LAKE

Consultation

No responses.

Decision Taken:

The proposed double yellow lines are to be implemented on an experimental basis for a period of 18 months to allow their effectiveness to be monitored and reviewed.

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



Date

3rd February 2021

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