



Northumberland County Council

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES

Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services

PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS, PLESSEY ROAD, BLYTH (23rd AVE and EAST DRIVE JUNCTIONS)

Cabinet Member: Councillor John Riddle

Purpose of Report

To consider a proposal to provide 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restrictions (double yellow lines) at the junctions of 23rd Avenue and East Drive with Plessey Road in Blyth.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the proposed 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"

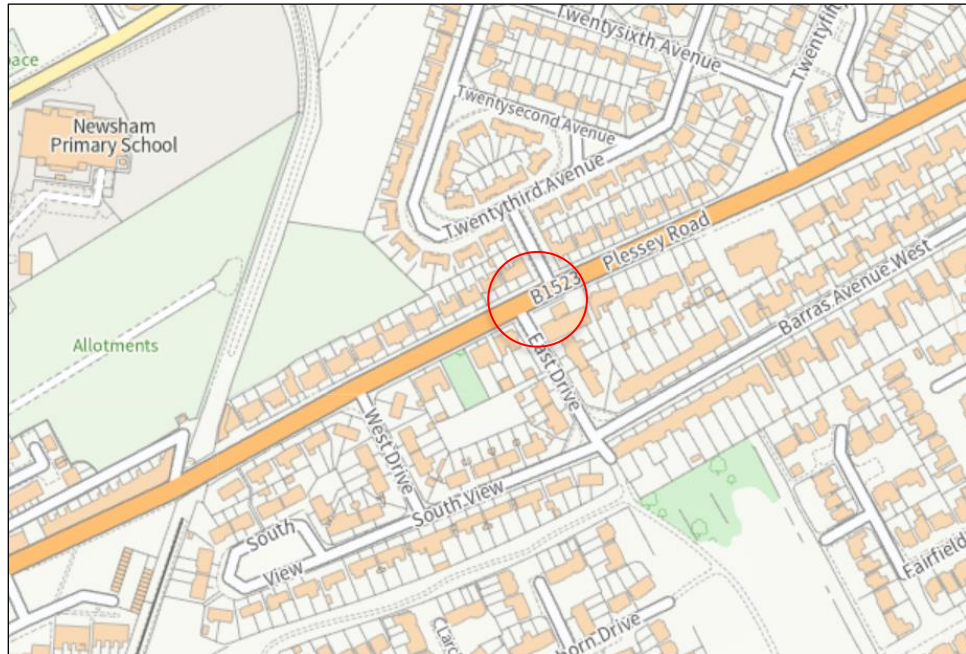
Key Issues

- The County Council has received concerns via the local Ward Member about traffic safety at the junctions of 23rd Avenue and East Drive with Plessey Road in Blyth.
- Parking currently takes place at the junctions which blocks sightlines for traffic entering and exiting and forces vehicles to 'edge out' into the carriageway, leading to conflict with oncoming traffic.

Delegated decisions

Background

1. The B1503 Plessey Road is one of the main routes through Blyth and is therefore subject to a significant amount of traffic.
2. The junctions of 23rd Avenue and East Drive with Plessey Road are in close proximity and are close to a petrol filling station and van hire business. The location is shown below.



3. Parking takes place at both junctions, on both Plessey Road and the side roads. Parked vehicles block sightlines for vehicles entering and exiting the side roads, leading to conflict with oncoming traffic.
4. In order to address this, double yellow lines are proposed to keep the junctions clear of parked cars. It is also proposed to extend the 'Give Way' road markings at the side roads one metre into Plessey Road to further improve visibility. Plessey Road is 8.2 metres wide at this point so there is sufficient carriageway width available to achieve this.
5. Residents and Statutory Consultees were consulted on this proposal. Only two responses were received. One was from the County Councils Civil Enforcement Staff who agreed that the issue requires addressing and therefore supported the proposal.
6. The other was from the local van hire business based at the filling station who had concerns over the effect of the proposed double yellow lines on customer parking, and the potential for this to be displaced further into the side roads, with consequent impact on local residents.

Delegated decisions

7. Following discussions with the van hire business and the local ward member, it was agreed that if the double yellow lines in the side roads extended a maximum of 12 metres from the Give Way line, this will provide the necessary junction protection whilst still allowing customers to park close to the business and reduce the likelihood of parking being displaced further into the residential area.
8. It is therefore recommended that the proposed parking restrictions, as shown in Appendix A, are implemented.

Implications Arising out of the Report

Policy	The proposal is in accordance with relevant guidance.
Finance and value for money	The proposal will be funded via the members Local Improvement Schemes.
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	Isabella

Delegated decisions

Background papers:

File ref: HO206735

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)	

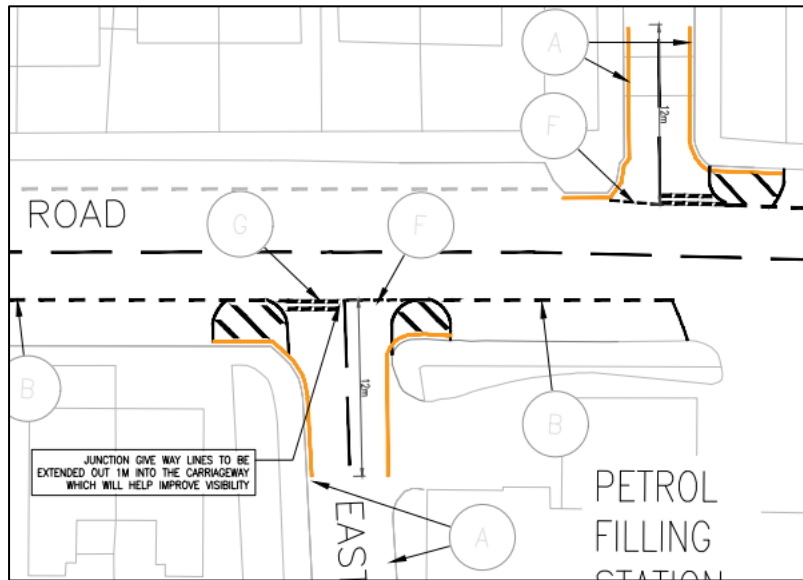
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Delegated decisions

Appendix A

Agreed Proposal



Delegated decisions

DECISION TAKEN

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

Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services

Subject:

**PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS, PLESSEY
ROAD, BLYTH (23rd AVE and EAST DRIVE
JUNCTIONS)**

Consultation

1 in favour

1 neutral

Decision Taken:

The proposed 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking
restrictions should be implemented.

Signature of Director



Date

25.08.22
