

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES

Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services

PROPOSED APARKING RESTRICTION, THE CRESCENT, SEGHILL

Purpose of Report

Cabinet Member: Councillor John Riddle

To consider a proposal to provide a parking restriction in The Crescent, Seghill, to prevent parking in a turning area.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the proposed parking restriction is implemented.

Link to Corporate Plan

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Key Issues

- The County Council has received concerns via the local Ward Member about parking in the turning area of The Crescent in Seghill.
- The area is located immediately behind Main Street and is often used by those accessing shops and services to park. This parking impedes residents by blocking accesses and the turning area.

Background

- 1. The Crescent in Seghill is a residential street with a cul-de-sac and turning area at its northern end.
- 2. This turning area is located immediately behind properties on Main Street, some of which are commercial premises. There is a footpath link between the two streets adjacent to a barber shop. The location is shown in Figure 1.



Fig.1 Location Plan

- 3. In 2017 the County Council installed bollards in Main Street outside the barber shop to prevent pavement parking that was obstructing pedestrians, especially those with wheelchairs or pushchairs.
- 4. As a consequence, parking is now taking place in the turning area of The Crescent due to the convenient footpath link to Main Street.
- 5. This parking prevents turning and impedes accesses. It can also obstruct access for pedestrians using the footpath link to/from Main Street.
- 6. A 'Keep Clear' road marking has been provided to maintain access to garages, however, this only keeps part of the area free from parking and residents have approached the local ward Member to try and address the issue.
- 7. Adjacent residents and statutory consultees were therefore consulted on a proposal to provide a 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restriction (double yellow lines) in the turning head, as shown in Figure 2, below.

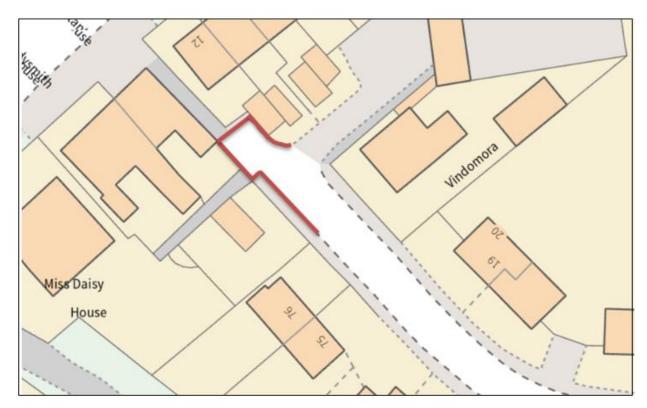


Fig.2 Consultation Plan

- 8. Five responses were received, four in favour, one against. A summary of the responses is shown in Appendix A.
- 9. The local ward Member supports the proposal.
- 10. It is therefore recommended that the proposed parking restrictions 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 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	Statutory consultees have been consulted.
Carbon reduction	None
Wards	Seghill with Seaton Delaval

Background papers:

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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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Finance Officer	n/a
Monitoring Officer/Legal	n/a
Human Resources	n/a
Procurement	n/a
I.T.	n/a
Director	
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Appendix A

Consultation Responses

F O R	AGAINST	N E I T H E R	Other Relevant Comments
1			I've just received a letter regarding parking at the crescent in Seghill. I wasn't aware that there were any problems there at all. I don't really have a problem with parking restrictions in the crescent because I do respect my neighbours in the area, although I really do think that I should have somewhere to park my car also. Any help with that would be much appreciated.
1			Your lines on the plan restrict the house owner of number XX for using their car at the rear of the house. They should only by applied starting from number XX (as shown) up to the pathway leading to the main road.
1			I received a letter for the proposed parking double yellows at the top of the crescent. I am 100% in favour of this action due to points below. I'm the last house on the street and I have cars constantly reversing on my drive due to not being able to turn at the top. I've had my fence destroyed by a taxi reversing into it and have also had my car reversed into when my car was on my drive. I've also came in from shopping and have had a car parked on my drive due to no room. I think you can imagine my reaction to that one. There is a cut between the barbers and the first house which has a ramp, but on the other side of the path is a high kerb, people with pushchairs and wheelchairs need the road clear so they can carry on down the street. Think at the end of the day it's a turning circle at the top of a dead end which needs to be kept clear. Emergency services coming up the street at times would struggle to get into the back of the houses and struggle to turn round. This needs to be resolved and double yellows would be a first step.
	1		I haven't had one complaint about this location in over 10 years so I don't see the necessity.
1			It is serious trying to get in or out of the corner with cars parked everywhere
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Date

DECISION TAKEN

Title of Officer(s) and Portfolio Holder (where appropriate):	Paul Jones - Service Director - Local Services
Subject:	PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTION, THE CRESCENT, SEGHILL
Consultation	Total responses: 5
	For: 4
	Against: 1
Decision Taken:	The proposed parking restriction should be implemented.
Signature of Director	
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