



# Northumberland

## County Council

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

Paul Jones

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**Proposed Parking Bays – B6305 Hencotes, Hexham**

**Cabinet Member: Councillor John Riddle**

**15 May 2023**

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#### **Purpose of Report**

This report sets out the background to the proposal to provide two additional parking bays and partial removal of waiting restrictions at the B6305 Hencotes in Hexham.

#### **Recommendations**

It is recommended that the additional parking bays are implemented and the existing waiting restrictions are revoked in order to improve vehicle turnover in the area.

#### **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 requests to improve on-street parking facilities for visitors to local businesses and residents in the area on the B6305 Hencotes.

The scheme is to be funded by the 2023/24 Local Transport Plan (LTP) programme.

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### Background

The B6305 Hencotes runs through the town centre of Hexham and is situated around a combination of residential properties and local businesses. The majority of the carriageway at this location has waiting restrictions in place which prohibit parking during certain hours or at all times in order to maintain road safety and the free flow of traffic, limiting residents and visitors to the area to parking in the marked bays provided on this road.

A consultation was undertaken in 2021 for proposals to introduce new crossing facilities at the B6305 Hencotes, however concerns were raised at the reduced parking facilities which would result in the implementation of such features. Whilst final approved proposals mean that parking would not be reduced by a new uncontrolled crossing which is to be installed following completion of carriageway resurfacing works, the Council intends to provide the additional two parking bays to be extended that were identified as an initial replacement for a loss of parking.

Although the consultation regarding this proposal to remove a small section of 'No Waiting' restrictions i.e. single yellow lines and replace them with two new parking bays proved to be favourable, of which the results can be observed in Appendix A, the local County Councillor has requested that proposed additional spaces for residents are investigated due to the demand for 'H4' permit holders exceeding available kerbside space within the area, which has been agreed subject to further consultation.

Details of the proposals are shown in Appendix B. The restrictions associated with the extended parking bays are identical to those with which they are proposed to adjoin from:

- On the western bay (outside No. 35): Monday to Saturday between 7am and 5pm, 20 minutes maximum stay with no return within 1 hour, or residents displaying a valid 'H4' zone permit;
- On the eastern bay (outside No. 13/15): Monday to Saturday between 7am and 5pm, 20 minutes maximum stay with no return within 1 hour.

Northumbria Police, other emergency services and relevant statutory consultees will be notified of these amendments as part of the process for making the permanent Orders.

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### Implications Arising out of the Report

<b>Policy</b>	Consistent with existing policies.
<b>Finance and value for money</b>	Scheme will be financed through the LTP 2023/24 programme.
<b>Legal</b>	Motorists will be required to comply with the Traffic Regulation Order.
<b>Procurement</b>	Road markings to meet Regulations for Traffic Regulation Orders.
<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"/>	N/A
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	The proposal is not deemed to impact on road safety as vehicles can be parked in the proposed locations without obstructing the carriageway or reducing forward visibility.
<b>Crime &amp; Disorder</b>	Regulations in place to carry out enforcement.
<b>Customer Consideration</b>	Statutory consultees have been consulted.
<b>Carbon reduction</b>	None
<b>Wards</b>	Hexham Central with Acomb

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### **Background Papers:**

File reference – S:\Highways\PROJECT\19\HF Local Safety Schemes\High Risk Sites\HFD19506 B6305 Hencotes, St Cuthberts Lane junction, Hexham

Appendix A – Consultation Responses

Appendix B – Scheme Plan

### **Author and Contact Details**

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### DECISION TAKEN

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

**Subject:** Proposed new parking bays at B6305 Hencotes, Hexham

**Consultation:** For: 2 (100%)  
Against: 0 (0%)

**Decision Taken:** To introduce new parking bays and remove 'No Waiting' restrictions at the B6305 Hencotes, Hexham

Signature of Director



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**Date**

12 June 2023

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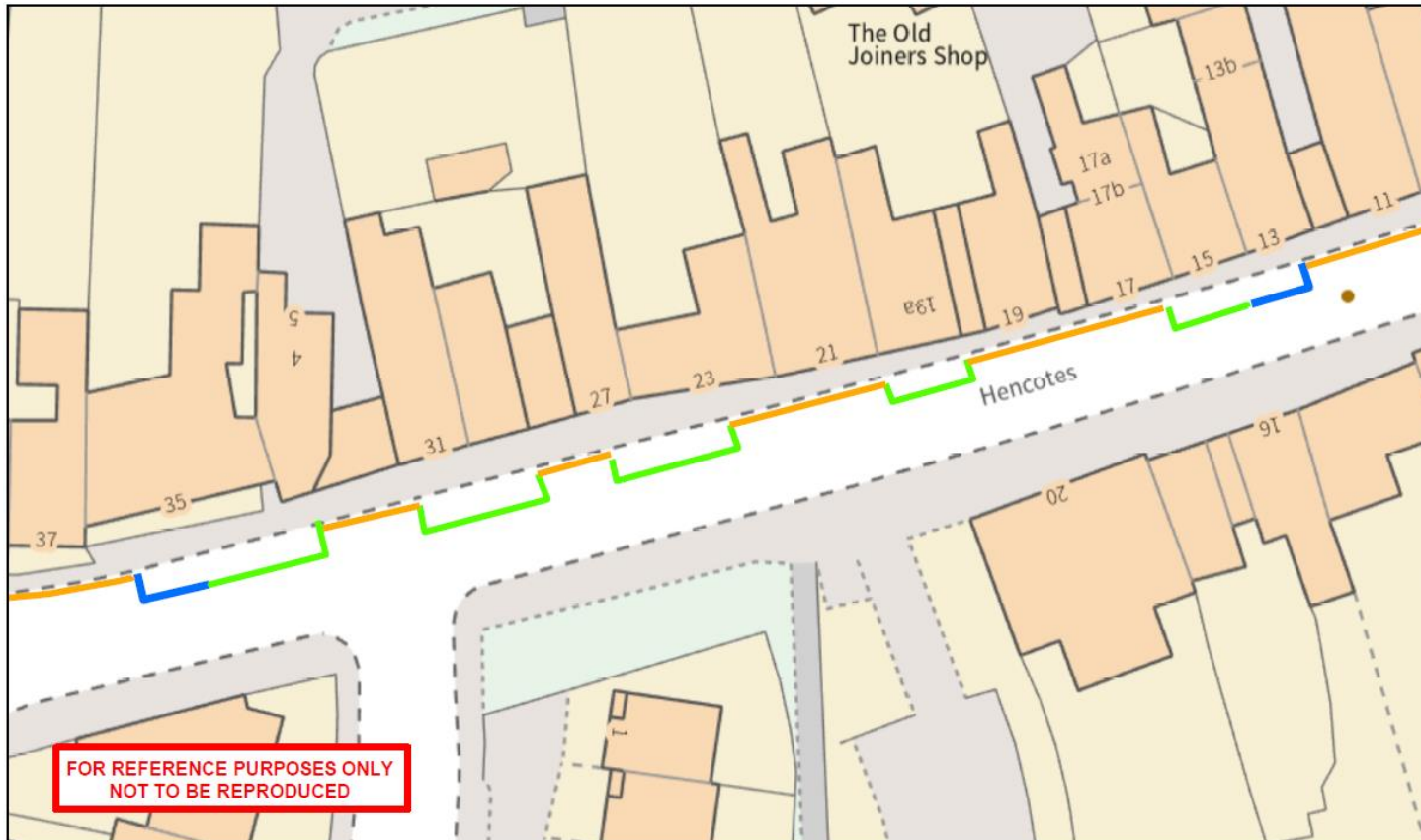
### Appendix A - Consultation Responses


Key:

- F = For
- A = Against

RESPONSE	F	A
Whilst I support the extra parking places proposal, as these are much needed additions. I ask that you also review that number of resident's H4 parking bays. I believe that Northumberland Council have issued over 70 parking permits for ONLY 4 bays (now 5). This is totally inadequate.	✓	
Thank you for your letter regarding the parking outside our shop. We would welcome the changes you have proposed, thank you	✓	

Appendix B - Scheme Plan



 <p><b>Northumberland</b> County Council</p>	<p><b>Network Management</b> Information System</p>	<p>Title: Proposed Parking Restrictions B6305 Hencotes Hexham</p>			<p>Key:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><span style="color: green;">—</span> Existing Parking Bays to Remain</li> <li><span style="color: yellow;">—</span> Existing 'No Waiting' Restrictions to Remain (Single Yellow Lines)</li> <li><span style="color: blue;">—</span> Proposed Extension of Parking Bays</li> </ul>
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