



# Northumberland

## County Council

### RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT

**Paul Jones – Director of Environment & Transport**

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**Proposed Extension of 'No Waiting at Any Time' Parking Restrictions –  
The Wynding, Bamburgh**

**Cabinet Member: Councillor John Riddle, Improving Our Roads &  
Highways**

**18 February 2025**

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#### **Purpose of Report**

This report sets out the background to the proposal to extend the 'No Waiting at Any Time' (double yellow lines) parking restrictions at The Wynding in Bamburgh.

#### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the proposed parking restrictions are implemented in order to improve road safety in the area.

#### **Link to Corporate Plan**

This report is relevant to the following key themes in the Corporate Plan for 2023-26:

'Thriving Places and Culture – Neighbourhoods are safe, clean and well maintained'

#### **Key Issues**

1. Northumberland County Council has received concerns regarding obstructive and indiscriminate parking at The Wynding in Bamburgh.
2. 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restrictions have been introduced in recent years on this length of road but road safety issues continue to present problems during peak summer months.

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3. As a result, the 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restrictions are proposed to be extended to alleviate these concerns.
4. The scheme is supported by the local County Councillor and Bamburgh Parish Council.
5. The scheme is to be funded through the 2024/25 Local Transport Plan (LTP) Programme.

### Background

The Wynding is a long and narrow stretch of rural road which leads to two coastal car parks and the golf club just north of Bamburgh's village centre. Its southern section is primarily residential and located near the B1342 road which runs through the village itself and is covered by 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions in the form of double yellow lines to prohibit any parking here.

These restrictions were recently extended on The Wynding where the stretch of road leads to the golf club due to obstructive and indiscriminate parking which had been previously identified by officers, but further observations since their implementation, primarily during the peak summer months, demonstrates that the parking issues still persist.



**Fig.1: Examples of congestion and parking on derestricted areas of The Wynding, Bamburgh**

Pedestrians are forced onto the carriageway as no footway is present and forward visibility for motorists is impeded by parked vehicles, increasing the likelihood of a collision occurring. Whilst Bamburgh is part of the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty conservation area and therefore road markings and traffic signage should be kept to a minimum, it has been agreed that the need for restrictions outweighs this on this occasion.

As a result, 'No Waiting at Any Time' (double yellow lines) parking restrictions are now proposed on both sides of The Wynding for its full length in order to alleviate these issues and prohibit obstructive and indiscriminate parking.

Details of the proposal can be found in Appendix A with consultation responses shown in Appendix B. The proposal is intended to increase road safety,

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maintain the free flow of traffic where possible and to protect the amenity of the area overall. Northumbria Police, other emergency services and relevant statutory consultees will be notified of these amendments as part of the process for making the permanent Traffic Regulation Order.

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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 2024/25 programme.
<b>Legal</b>	Motorists will be required to comply with the Traffic Regulation Order.
<b>Procurement</b>	None
<b>Human Resources</b>	None
<b>Property</b>	None
<b>Equalities</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	N/A
<b>Crime &amp; Disorder</b>	Regulations in place to carry out enforcement.
<b>Customer Consideration</b>	Statutory consultees and directly affected residents have been consulted.
<b>Carbon reduction</b>	None
<b>Wards</b>	Bamburgh

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### **Background Papers**

File reference – HE243818D-03

Appendix A – Scheme Layout

Appendix B – Consultation Responses

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**Title of Officer**

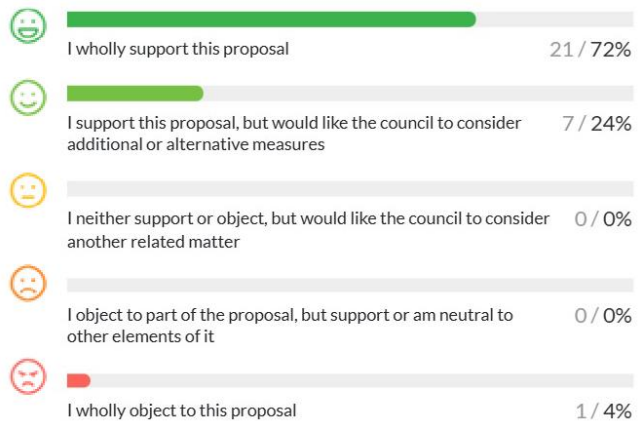
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**Subject**

Proposed extension of 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restrictions at The Wynding, Bamburgh

**Consultation**

Response sentiment



**Decision Taken**

To extend 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restrictions at The Wynding, Bamburgh

**Signature of Director**

**Date**

19<sup>th</sup> February 2025

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Appendix A – Scheme Layout



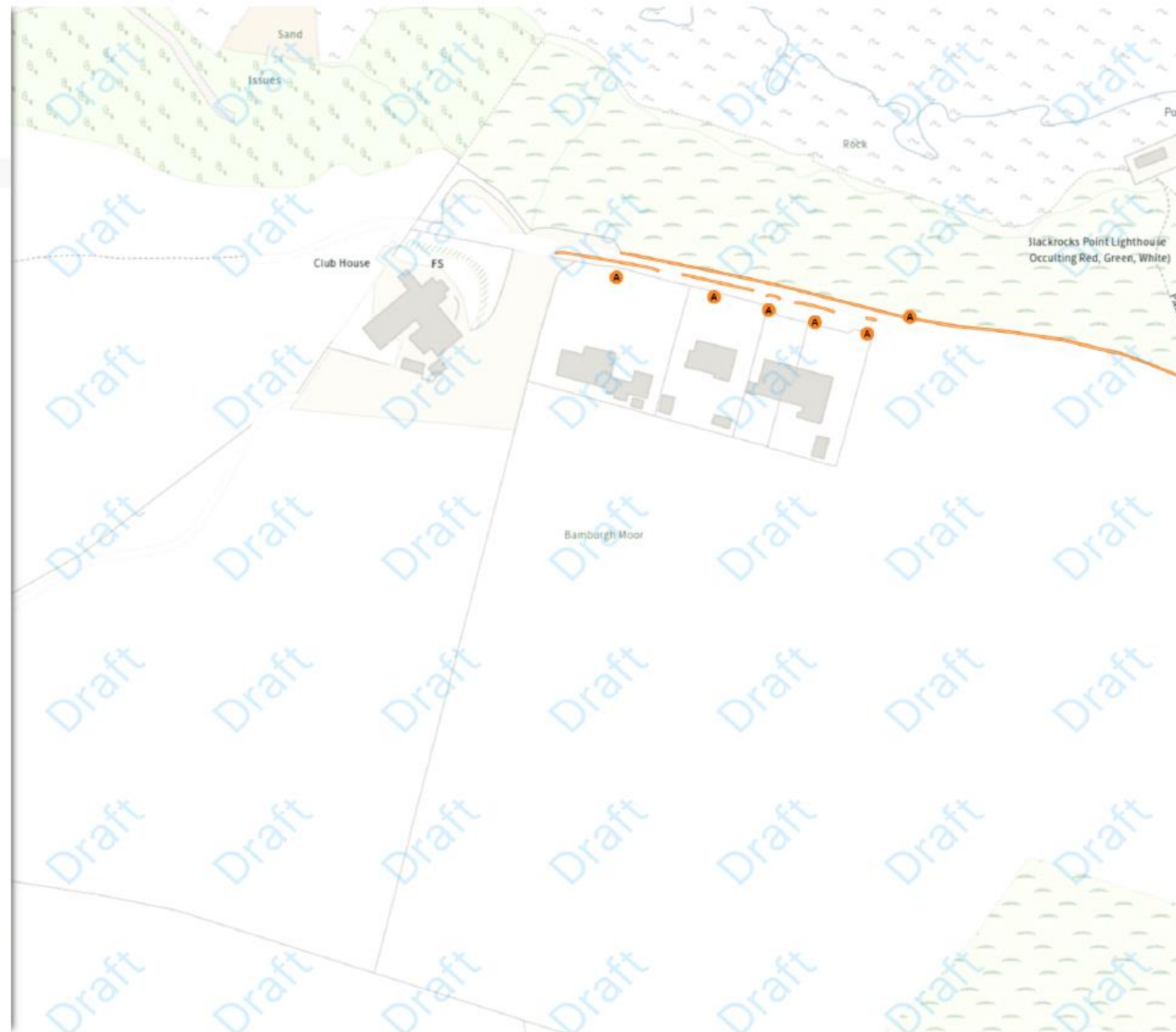
The Wynding Bamburgh

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- At all times

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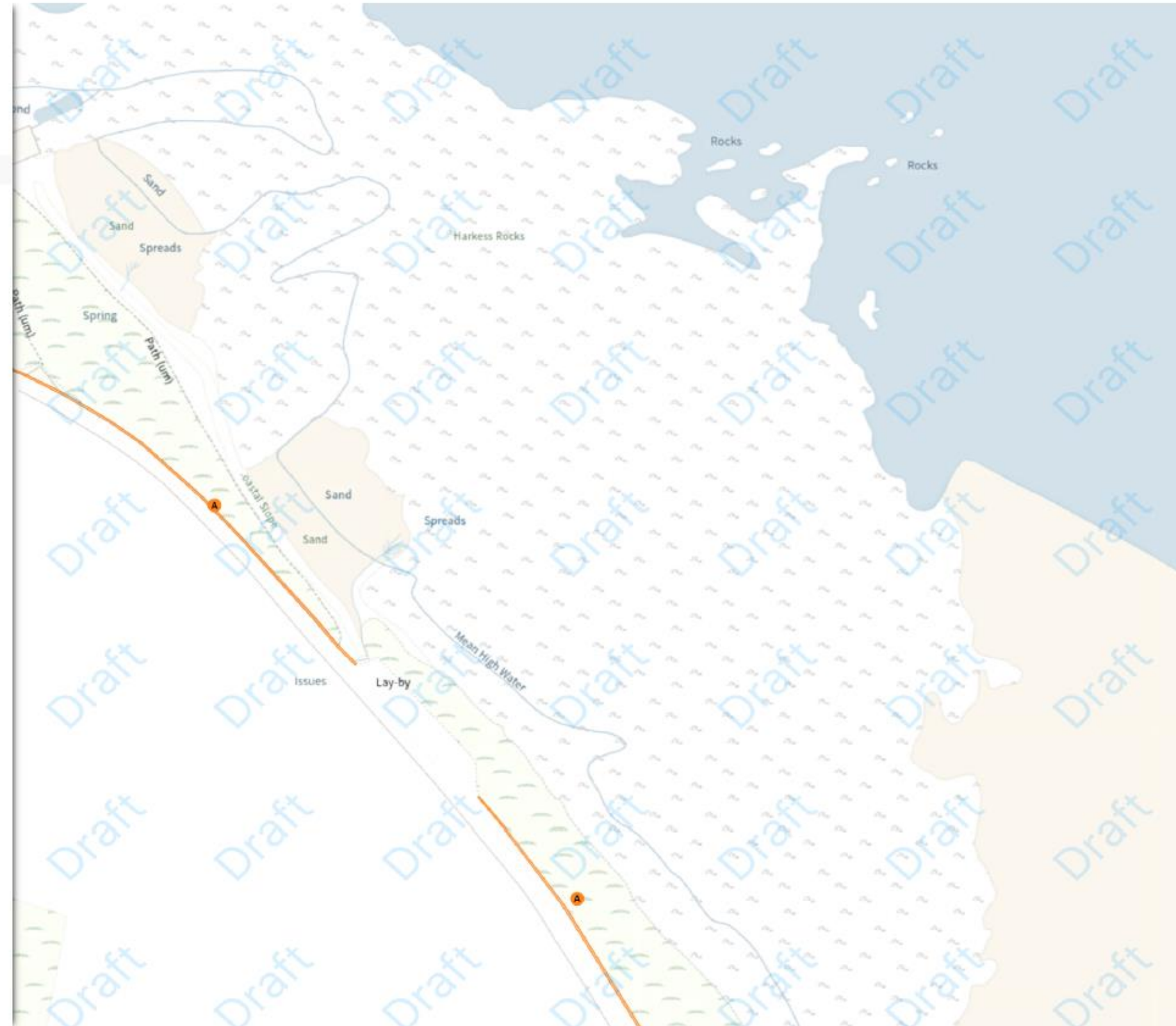
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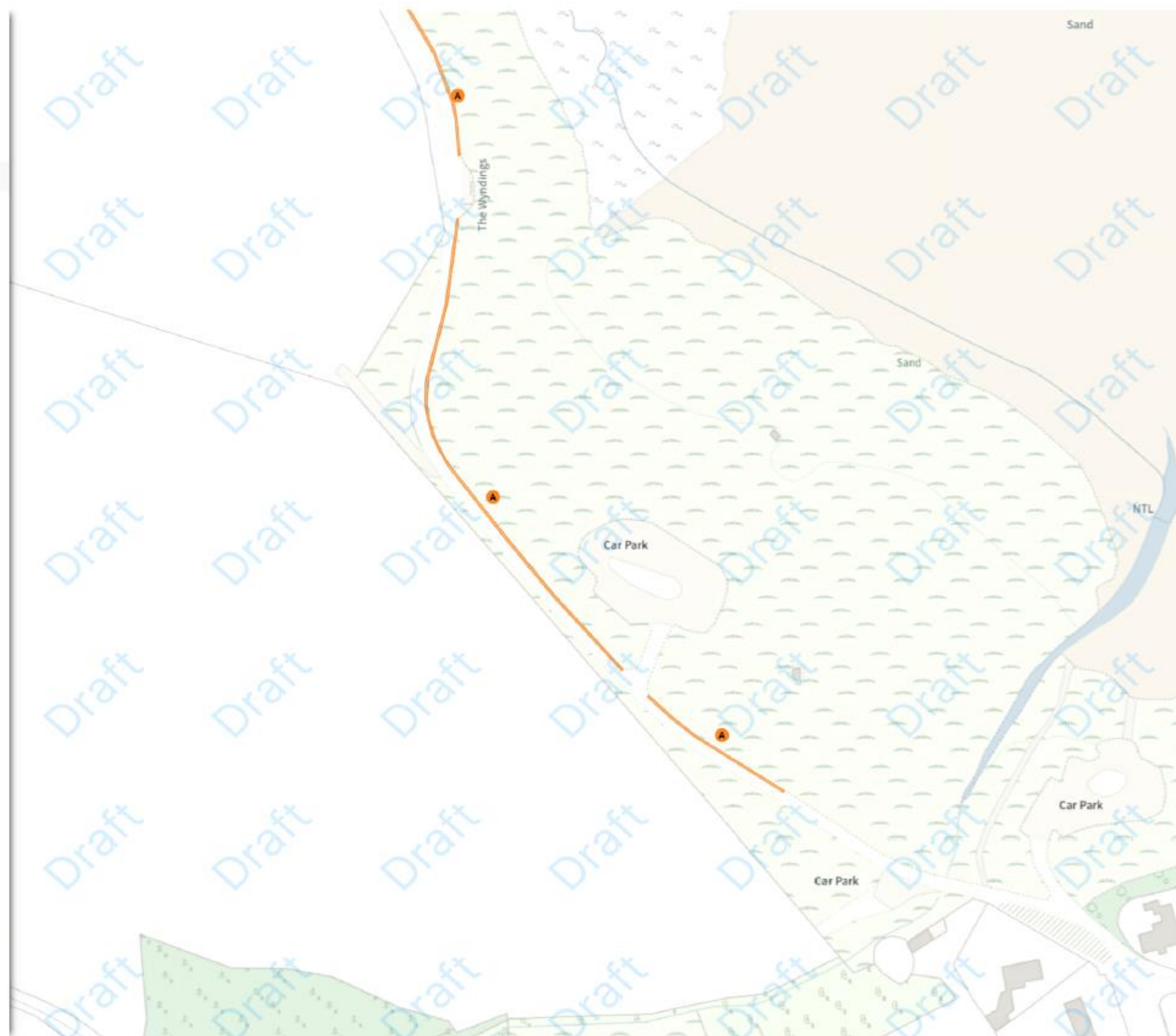
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### Appendix B – Consultation Responses

Key: F = For; A = Against

F	A	RESPONSES
1		Although we welcome double yellow lines outside our house we remained concerned about the behaviour of motorists and the Wynding bottlenecking when cars are parked. We have noticed that when double yellows are on one side of the road, motorists take it as an invitation to park on the other side of the road and we therefore propose that DOUBLE YELLOW LINES ARE ALONG THE WHOLE LENGTH OF THE WYNDING ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ROAD.
1		I fully support the proposals and hope that it will be policed as camper vans currently park in the parking bays leaving the vehicle stuck out into the carriageway causing a dangerous obstruction to other road users.
1		Not before time. These measures should have been implemented many years ago. Over night parking in car parks is a serious problem and should be monitored. Police take no action for some reason!
1		There is no point in adding yellow lines unless you increase parking for beach access. This just reduces provision for the many people who wish to access the beach and will push the parking to other areas of the village.
1		I use this road very often as I am a member of Bamburgh Golf Club. You may wish to consider extending the 'No Waiting' to both sides of The Wynding as particularly during last summer some visitors were parking on both sides of the road and on grass verges which restricted access. Delivery vehicles, waste management, trades people and emergency vehicles found it very hard to progress up the road.
1		SUPPORT THIS PROPOSAL
1		I wholly support applying double yellow lines on both sides of the entire length of The Wynding. However, the tarmac verges are crumbling and the lines may quickly be lost as the tarmac deteriorates.
1		My family has owned a property at the golf course end of The Wynding for over 60 years. The traffic issue has progressively worsened throughout this time, particularly in the last few years. The yellow lines are now needed as a matter of urgency, i.e. before the busy season commences.
1		I appreciate the double yellow lines on The Wynding but you have just pushed the parking elsewhere. They park on the small triangle on the grove, on the double yellow lines in Front Street. They are parking on the small narrow roads on Ingram, Lucker and Radcliffe Road on the way to Budle. We need a bigger more permanent car park at the beach and I think on the road to Lucker on the left of the exit. Newton by the Sea, Craster have made the villages residents only parking and there are a number of residents (albeit small) who can't park by their accommodation. We also have people parking on private land. The number of cars has increased and one person hurt is one to many I think we need staggered railings on doctors lane and by Wynding well as people and children just run out and you can't see until your car bonnet is past a certain point. More attention is paid to visitors than residents. You promote Bamburgh but you haven't provided the infrastructure to support the residents and the village.
1		on behalf of Bamburgh Parish Council
1		The Wynding is narrow and often busy, especially through summer months. There simply isn't room for parking and flowing traffic. Access to the Bamburgh Castle Golf Club is often difficult.
1		We do need strict parking restrictions along the whole of The Wynding. In the busy months it is packed. Should there be an emergency then the services would not get through.
1		Parking on the Wynding is chaotic and a continuation of the double yellow lines will definitely improve the situation. At times it would not be possible to get emergency vehicles to the end of the Wynding, essential for any medical emergencies on the beach or neighbouring rocks
1		These are sensible and long overdue extensions to the double yellow lines which were previously introduced. They tackle the serious risks of obstruction (see attached photo) which could prevent emergency services attending. They also relieve the difficulties experienced by occupants of the properties adjacent to the golf club.
1		Fully support on grounds of safety and access, especially for emergency and council services
1		Too much traffic and people parking on the side of the road
1		Parking on verge is an eye sore in an area of outstanding natural beauty and creates a traffic hazard and jam in peak months
1		I believe the double yellow lines along the full length of The Wynding to Bamburgh golf club will improve access. The current provision is insufficient and during peak periods access is restricted because car owners park road side when using the beach and visiting Bamburgh. This makes it difficult for cars, lorries and emergency vehicles travelling the full length of the road. Even where the current double yellow lines are car owners often park on the grass verge beyond thinking this

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		is acceptable and legal. Furthermore, the new parking bays at various points along the route mean that some larger vehicles park but protrude out into the road, again limiting access.
1		The road is too narrow for so many cars. it causes safety issues for pedestrians. Cars park badly due to lack of room leaving golf club members unable to access the golf club.
1		Regular visitors to this part of Bamburgh, and disruption and damage done when people park on this part of The Wynding, makes visiting this beautiful part of the country far less enjoyable. I am delighted to see this action being taken to preserve this part of Bamburgh.
1		The double yellow lines should extend as close as possible to the entrance at the first carpark. There have been frequent occasions of drivers parking adjacent to the bridge over the stream between the 2 bends in the road. This creates both hazard and inconvenience, but some drivers seem to think that it is a legitimate place to park as there are no yellow lines. The new proposal does not appear to address this problem.
1		Wholeheartedly support this proposal. As a member if BCGC The Wynding is a nightmare in the summer. Illegal parking makes it dangerous. The new wooden barriers have helped enormously. There needs to be a signature the top of The Wynding, directing visitors to the car park in the field adjacent to the church. The road out if Bamburgh is also dangerous and needs the same restrictions opposite the old Mizen Hotel as cars are parked so far up the road.
1		N/A
1		This is a good thing on paper, but will only be effective if NCC sends sufficient visible parking wardens to patrol and ticket the area, and that visitors know this. I won a battle around five years ago for double yellow lines at the entrance to Castle Wynd, because inconsiderate parking was regularly blocking the road, but it seems that just as many of those now parking simply ignore the yellow lines because they know there won't be any consequences - and I know that a lot of these inconsiderate parkers aren't even tourists. I've never once seen a ticketed vehicle at the entrance to Castle Wynd in the whole time since those yellow lines were painted. In summer months, Bamburgh village is just one giant car park - quite awful to see - and tempers run high both with residents and with those circling round and around in their cars trying to find a space. I wrote to NCC suggesting that they employ locals as 'special officers' with the power to patrol and ticket - on a commission basis - a marvellous win-win solution. But I was rebuffed. What is really needed is a total parking ban within the village (apart from residents, deliveries, and disabled bays), but with sufficient visitor parking provided in authorised car parks in surrounding fields. But something drastic needs to be done before the village completely disappears beneath a sea of cars and all the remaining residents leave in despair.
1		Essential to protect the beauty of this stretch. And to avoid potential hazardous parking which is a danger to pedestrians.
1		Yes, this is excellent news and fully back your proposal, the road has become extremely popular in recent years and people have taken liberties and park wherever they like which is extremely dangerous and impractical.
1		Irresponsible and selfish parking on the Wynding creates significant traffic issues and creates a real risk that emergency services will not be able to access the golf club and other properties on the Wynding when necessary.
1		Parking on The Wynding is out of control and dangerous during high season
1		Thank you - this proposal looks excellent. However, it's difficult to tell if it'll make the whole road 'double yellow' on BOTH sides. It should be! The complete length of The Wynding, from the Bamburgh village junction to the golf club should have double yellow lines along both sides of the road. There should also be further measures in place to prevent vehicles from parking 'outside' double yellow lines, on the grass verges/banks. Wooden posts would help. The road can become completely blocked in summer by inconsiderate parking and there's a danger that emergency vehicles could not get through. Further support from traffic warden visits & the issuing of tickets would be welcome. Thanks for listening.
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