



Northumberland

County Council

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT

Paul Jones – Director of Environment & Transport

Proposed Parking Restrictions – U9706 Double Row, Bristol Street & St. Michael's Avenue, New Hartley

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

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Purpose of Report

This report sets out the background to the proposal to introduce new parking restrictions at several locations in New Hartley following the construction of a new housing development.

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 granted planning permission for a new housing development in New Hartley.
2. To ensure that road safety is maintained from the increase in traffic and alterations to the road layout, new waiting and loading restrictions in the form of double yellow lines and double kerb blips are proposed on Double Row, Bristol Street and St. Michael's Avenue in New Hartley.

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3. The project is supported by the local County Councillors.
4. The scheme is to be funded through a Section 106 agreement between the developer and Planning authority.

Background

The U9706 route through New Hartley is the only access route into the rest of the village and flows through the village centre, linking to Seaton Delaval and Seaton Sluice. It has therefore been subject to a road safety review prior to the development of new residential homes in New Hartley due to the perceived increase in traffic that this will generate.

The road safety review has determined that further parking restrictions are necessary on Double Row, Bristol Street and St. Michael's Avenue due to observations of obstructive and indiscriminate parking on the U9706 route through New Hartley.

Double Row, New Hartley

Existing 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions in the form of double yellow lines are in operation at Double Row from its junction with the A192 Astley Road heading eastwards but due to its industrial nature i.e. most of the properties situated along this vicinity being commercial premises such as garages, vehicles associated with these properties have been observed to overflow onto the carriageway and parked on the existing restrictions.

Additional restrictions in the form of 'No Loading at Any Time' (double kerb blips) are therefore proposed to prohibit any vehicles from stopping on this section of the carriageway as observed in Figure 1 below.

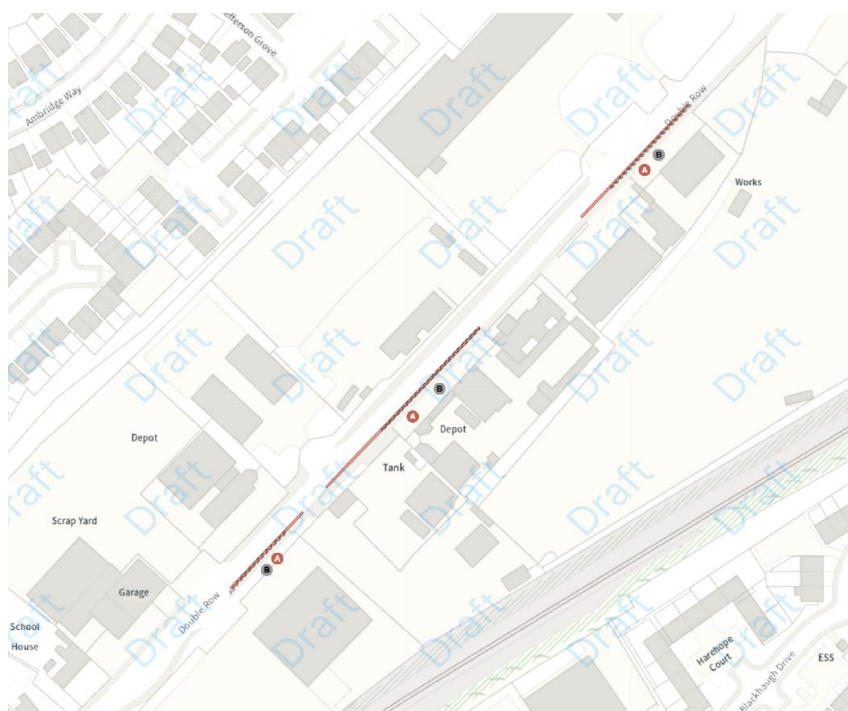


Fig. 1: Proposed 'No Waiting or Loading at Any Time' parking restrictions (A = red) to replace existing 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restrictions (B = grey) at Double Row, New Hartley

It is anticipated that this will deter motorists from parking in these locations on Double Row as this removes the need for an observation period by Civil Enforcement Officers should a contravention be identified.

Bristol Street & St. Michael's Avenue, New Hartley

Both Bristol Street and St. Michael's Avenue have waiting restrictions in the form of double yellow lines at adjoining junctions in place, but in derestricted locations it was found that parking can obstruct forward visibility and thereby increase the likelihood of a collision.

In order to alleviate these issues, an extension of double yellow lines is proposed at this section of the U9706 route and shown below in Figure 2, whereas the existing restrictions are to remain in operation.



Fig. 2: Proposed 'No Waiting at Any Time' parking restrictions (A = orange) at Bristol Street & St. Michael's Avenue, New Hartley

Details of the proposal and overall Section 106 works can be found in Appendix A. The proposal is intended to increase road safety, 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

Policy	Consistent with existing policies.
Finance and value for money	Scheme will be financed through a Section 106 agreement between the developer and Planning authority.
Legal	Motorists will be required to comply with the Traffic Regulation Order.
Procurement	None
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
Risk Assessment	The proposal is designed to reduce the risks associated with obstructive and indiscriminate parking.
Crime & Disorder	Regulations in place to carry out enforcement.
Customer Consideration	Consultation conducted under the planning application procedure.
Carbon reduction	None
Wards	Seghill with Seaton Delaval, Hartley

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Background Papers

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Appendix A – Scheme Layout

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DECISION TAKEN

Title of Officer	Director of Environment & Transport
Subject	Proposed parking restrictions at U9706 Double Row, Bristol Street & St. Michael's Avenue, New Hartley
Consultation	Consultation conducted as part of planning process for housing development
Decision Taken	To introduce new parking restrictions at U9706 Double Row, Bristol Street & St. Michael's Avenue, New Hartley

Signature of Director



Paul Jones
Director of Environment and Transport

Date

09/04/2025

