



Northumberland County Council

**RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY  
DIRECTOR OF LOCAL SERVICES AND HOUSING DELIVERY**

**Paul Jones**

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**Proposed No Waiting at Any Time Restrictions,  
Wellington Street East / Quayside Roundabout, Blyth**

**8th August 2017**

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**Purpose of Report**

To consider the the introduction of a "No Waiting at Any Time" parking restriction at Wellington Street East /Quayside Roundabout, Blyth.

**Recommendations**

- I. It is recommended that the following restrictions are introduced on Wellington Street East /Quayside Roundabout, Blyth: No waiting at any time, (double yellow lines).

**Key Issues**

1. This area has been the subject of traffic safety concerns over a period of time i.e. indiscriminate parking , resulting in visibility and pedestrian safety issues, concerns by residents have been raised with their local Councillor.
2. The Scheme is funded and supported by County Councillor Eileen Cartie.

**Background**

1. Safety concerns have been identified to Councillor Cartie by residents on a number of occasions with regard to indiscriminate and inconsiderate parking on Wellington Street East..
2. It is proposed to introduce no waiting at any time restriction in this area

3. This would help improve traffic safety for the residents, and road users of Wellington Street and The Quayside area, Blyth.

## **Consultation**

1. These proposals were the subject of a consultation exercise, conducted on the 29th June 2017. This involved the delivery of a consultation letter to 54 properties and 25 statutory consultees, including the emergency services and various disabled and transport associations/organisations. A plan showing the proposals is attached together with a copy of the consultation letter (see Appendix A).
2. The consultation exercise ended on 12th July 2017 and responses were received from 3 consultees, with 2 in favour, 0 against and 1 neither for nor against the proposal. A summary of the response is attached as Appendix B.

## **Comments**

1. Councillor Cartie was notified of the results of the consultation.
2. Councillor Cartie confirms she wishes to proceed with the proposal, this will be funded through her allocation in the Member Local Improvements Programme.
3. This scheme will be carried out at the same time as a other similar schemes in the Wesleydale Ward, Blyth, which has also been proposed and agreed with Councillor Cartie. Thereby, making a saving in advertising costs for the traffic regulation order and programming.

## **Recommendations**

1. It is recommended that the proposal as detailed in Appendix A should proceed.
2. The Council has the power to hold a public inquiry before making any traffic regulation order. Such an inquiry might enable disputed evidence to be tested under cross-examination and the need for an order to be critically examined by an independent inspector. In this particular case, officers believe that the extensive consultation process and involvement with interested parties, means that such an inquiry is unlikely to bring any fresh information to light and it is therefore recommended that an inquiry is not held.

## **File References**

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## **Appendix Index**

Appendix A – Consultation Letter and Plan

Appendix B – Consultation Response

## Implications Arising out of the Report

<b>Policy</b>	None
<b>Finance and value for money</b>	Funded through the Member's Local Improvement Programme allocation for Councillor Eileen Cartie
<b>Legal</b>	Preparation of Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO)
<b>Procurement</b>	
<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"/>	None
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	Introduction of no waiting at any time restriction
<b>Crime &amp; Disorder</b>	Traffic safety concerns i.e. obstruction
<b>Customer Consideration</b>	Scheme is anticipated to improve road safety for residents in the area
<b>Carbon reduction</b>	
<b>Wards</b>	Wensleydale

### Background papers:

None

**Report sign off.**

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## DECISION TAKEN

**Title of Officer(s) and Portfolio Holder** Director of Local Services and Housing Delivery

**Subject:** Proposed introduction of No waiting at any time restriction, Wellington Street East/ Quayside Roundabout, Blyth

### Consultation

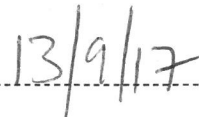
3 Response  
2 For  
0 Against  
1 Neither for nor against

**Decision Taken:** Introduce No Waiting at Any Time Restriction

Signature of Director



Date



## Appendix A



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Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

**Proposed No Waiting at Any Time Parking Restrictions,  
Wellington Street East / Quayside Roundabout, Blyth**

Safety concerns have been raised with County Councillor Cartie regarding indiscriminate parking on Wellington Street East, Blyth. County Councillor Cartie has therefore agreed to fund the introduction of No Waiting at Any Time Parking Restrictions, subject to favourable consultation with affected residents / businesses, which should assist in improving the current situation.

I am therefore writing in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1998 (as amended) to formally ask for your comments on the proposal to introduce No Waiting At Any Time Restrictions at Wellington Street East / Quayside Roundabout as shown on the attached plan.

The County Council is seeking your views on the proposals and a freepost response form is attached to facilitate the consultation process. It should be stressed that this is a genuine consultation and that comments received will be carefully considered.

Regrettably, it is not possible to reply to individual comments, but you may wish to note that comments may be included in a Decision Report, to the Executive Director of Local Services and Housing and may be available for public inspection. The closing date for any comments you may wish to make is Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017. If you wish to respond to this consultation online, please visit the web address <http://trafficconsult.northumberland.gov.uk/>.

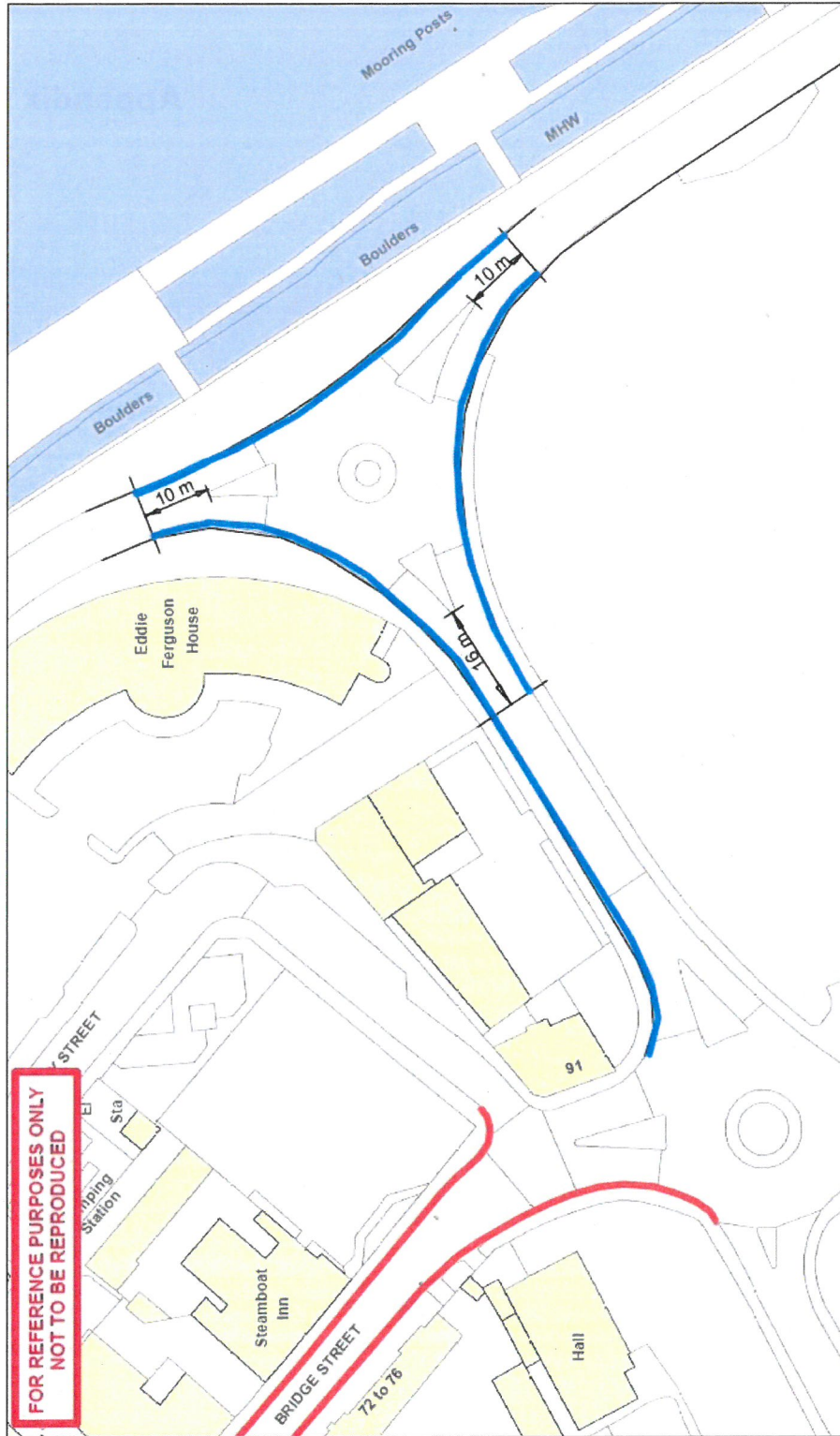
**I would urge you to take the opportunity to comment on this important matter as any decision taken will be based upon the responses received from residents who take time to return the consultation form.**

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "AW".

Andy Walker  
Programme & Production Team





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— No Waiting or Loading Restrictions  
(Double Yellow Lines)



## Appendix B

F O R	A G A I N S T	N E I T H E R	
			Other Relevant Comments
1			<p>I live in Fieldfare House which backs on to Wellington St East and it is often a nightmare leaving my property in the car as you have to pull out into the road before you can see if it is clear. Also the cars are parked on the path (illegal?) to keep the road semi clear, but how else can they park. Indeed, where else can they park?</p> <p>I and the other residents of Fieldfare House have parking spots which we pay for through our rents. We often get people illegally parking here.</p> <p>I know that Blyth Star Enterprise staff park on the road as this is where their business is. I am assuming that staff from Blyth Workspace also park there as I can see no car park for them, but I may be wrong on that point. I know delivery drivers do. I have also often seen people parking on the road and then walk into the Commissioners Quay area.</p> <p>Now, as much as I would like to see this area a no waiting/parking zone, two things worry me.</p> <p>Are they going to start parking in our spots which, as I said previously, are paid for and, where do you propose to send them? I am assuming of course that you have thought about where they are to go.</p> <p>I look forward to you keeping the residents informed about any future plans involving the area.</p>
		1	<p>Thank you for your letter dated 29th June 2017 in which you invite us to offer our comments on the above proposal. I would inform you that as Emergency Service we may be required to use the above road(s) for access and egress in the event of being activated to attend an emergency call, or to convey patients to hospital for outpatient appointments. I would thank you for your consultation on this matter and offer our support for the ongoing road safety programme.</p>
1			<p>This proposal could not come quick enough for residents and their families with cars, as also for binmen because cars are parked on both sides of the road it makes viewing very restricted. my mother and sister has had a few near accidents because it was not possible to see clearly both left or right on that road due to cars been parked. It is also hard to come in and out of the entrance to our building because of this problem. it would be brilliant if we could get the double yellow lines were marked on the map ASAP. Thank you your faithful xxxxx xxxxx</p>
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