



Northumberland County Council

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

Paul Jones

**Proposed introduction of No Waiting at Any Time Restrictions,
Windburgh Drive, Cramlington**

21st March 2017

Purpose of Report

To consider the consultation exercise regarding proposed introduction of waiting and loading restrictions on Windburgh Drive, Cramlington.

Recommendations

It is recommended that in view of the results received from the consultation exercise, the existing waiting and loading restrictions should not be introduced as proposed.

Key Issues

1. Indiscriminate parking on bends on Windburgh Drive is an issue which has been raised with the Councillor on a number of occasions.
2. The Scheme was to be funded and supported by Councillor Hepple.
3. In view of the results of the public consultation Councillor Hepple no longer wishes to proceed with the proposal at this stage.

Background

1. Concerns have been identified to Councillor Hepple by residents about indiscriminate parking on Windburgh Drive, Cramlington which is causing a potential road safety issue
2. It was envisaged that the proposed introduction of parking restrictions would improve this issue.

Consultation

1. These proposals were the subject of a consultation exercise. This was conducted on the 30th January 2017 and involved the delivery of a consultation letter to 6 properties and 27 statutory consultees, including the emergency services and various disabled and transport associations/organisations.
2. The consultation exercise ended on 24th February 2017 and responses were received from 5 consultees, with 3 in favour 0 against and 2 were neither for nor against the proposals. A summary of the responses is attached as Appendix B
3. Councillor Hepple was notified of the results of the consultation.
4. Councillor Hepple confirms he does not wish to proceed with the scheme.

Recommendations

1. The proposal was made by Councillor Hepple as he understood there was a good level of support for the scheme. However, although there was support for the scheme, the comments and observation made indicated that the issue primarily revolved around peak school times.
2. Therefore following discussions between Councillor Hepple and Officers it is recommended not to proceed at this stage. It is felt that continued working with the school and parents, would be more productive at this stage to alleviate the parking issues, rather than introduce restrictions, which may in fact move the problem to an adjacent area. Enforcement Officers will continue to monitor the area and provide feedback, when carrying enforcement around the school..
3. Councillor Hepple and Officers will continue listening to the residents and road users' needs in the area and take forward information received via the Directory of Requests where appropriate.

File References

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Appendix A - Consultation 1 -Copy of Consultation Letter
Appendix B - Consultation 1 - Summary of Responses

Implications Arising out of the Report

Policy	None
Finance and value for money	Funded through the Member's Local Improvement Programme allocation for Councillor Allan Hepple
Legal	
Procurement	
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities (Impact Assessment attached) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	None
Risk Assessment	None
Crime & Disorder	Traffic safety concerns i.e. obstruction
Customer Consideration	Scheme was anticipated to improve the traffic flow for residents in the area.
Carbon reduction	
Wards	Cramlington South East

Background papers:

None

Report sign off.

Authors must ensure that relevant officers and members have agreed the content of the report:

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DECISION TAKEN

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

Subject: Proposed amendment to the existing waiting and loading restrictions, Double Row, Seaton Delaval

Consultation

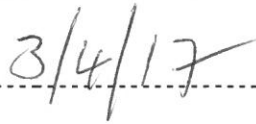
5 Responses
3 For
0 Against
2 Neither for nor against

Decision Taken: Not to introduce waiting and loading restrictions as proposed.

Signature of Director/
officer/Portfolio Holder



Date



Appendix A



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Monday 30th January 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

**Proposed No Waiting at Any Time Parking Restrictions,
Windburgh Drive, Cramlington**

Residents have raised concerns with County Councillor Hepple about indiscriminate parking on Windburgh Drive, Cramlington which is causing a potential road safety issue. County Councillor Hepple has therefore agreed to fund the introduction of No Waiting at Any Time Parking Restrictions, subject to favourable consultation with affected residents, 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 Windburgh Drive 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 Friday 24th February 2017. If you wish to respond to this consultation online, please visit the web address <http://trafficconsult.northumberland.gov.uk/>.

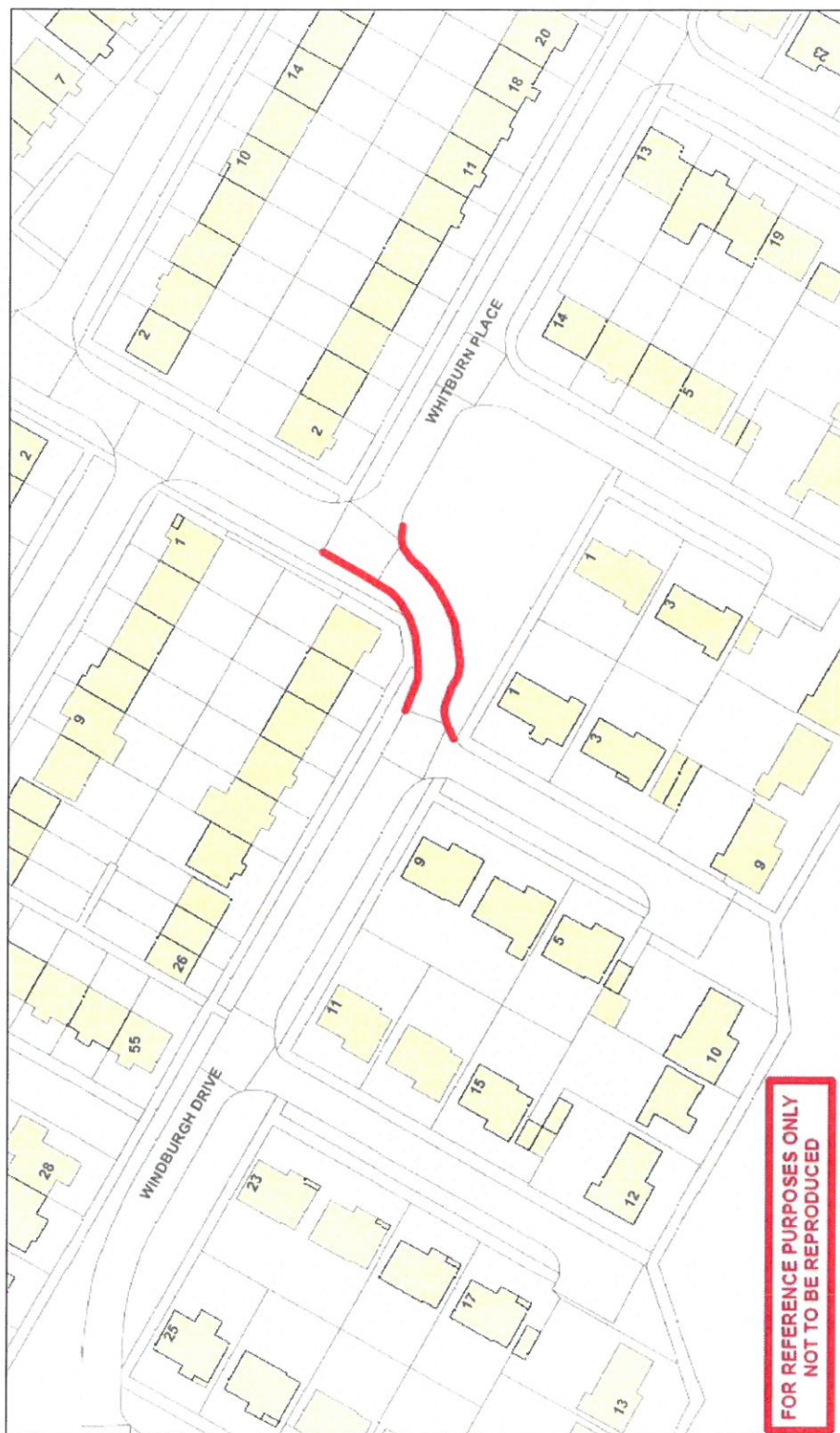
I would urge you to take the opportunity to comment on this important matter as any decision taken will be based upon the responses received from residents who take time to return the consultation form.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Terry Luck".

Terry Luck
Programme Officer





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Appendix B

F O R	A G A I N S T	N E I T H E R	Other Relevant Comments
		1	Thank you for your letter dated 1st February 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.
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		1	I support the above proposals but would request consideration be given to extend the restrictions to cover the driveway access to the houses immediately opposite the cul de sac opening. At present we also get indiscriminate parking and have had occasion to speak to drivers because they had parked over the drive access making it impossible to get our car out. Access to and from our drive is also made dangerous when cars are parked here because more and more vehicles are using the entrance to the cul de sac to turn. These vehicles not only include cars but delivery vans and the tour buses used when taking children for outings from the local school. If it is not possible to extend the restrictions I would be grateful if consideration could be given for white markings to be given to clearly show the entrance to the driveways.
		1	Your letter instructs about indiscriminate parking and potential road safety issue. Having lived in the property over 40 years we would suggest the following. The 20mph speed limit is never adhered too which is a major issue. The corner you highlight is right around our property. Visitors to our property who cannot park at the drive are requested to park away from the corner for safety reasons. This is something we have done all the time we have lived here. We have marked on a photocopy ideas for you to consider. 1. Keep the yellow line around the grassed area. 2. Put speed signage up with real-time information for drivers. I believe drivers are unaware of the speed they are doing approaching the corner both in and out of the estate. 3. Put on the road chicanes to slow down the approach to the corner with priority directional arrow. The indiscriminate parking we have observed is shown on the junction by [c] symbol which is for cars and or buses picking up or dropping off children for the school, generally 8.30am-9.15am and midday and 2.45-3.15pm. In the winter we have had cars spinning into our garden or onto the grassed area over the road. This is due to speed and ***** on the road, not vehicles parked indiscriminately. Over 30 years ago my wife tried in vain to get the council to slow down traffic as we had a young family then. Nothing was achieved. We support any positive solution to a problem of road safety we have lived with for over 40 years.
1			Traffic still comes up and down Windburgh Drive too fast they ignore 20 mile signs.
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