THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF NORTHUMBERLAND

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 A697 AT HEDGELEY STATION (NORTH OF POWBURN) (INTRODUCTION OF NEW 30MPH SPEED LIMIT) EXPERIMENTAL ORDER 2016 Ref:TROM_059

The Northumberland County Council, in exercise of their powers under Sections 1(1), and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, hereby make the following order:

1. Commencement and Citation

1.1 This Order shall come into operation on 16th December 2016 for an experimental period of 12 months and may be cited as the "The County of Northumberland (A697 at Hedgeley Station (North of Powburn) Introduction of New 30mph Speed Limit) Experimental Order 2016 (TROM_059)."

2. Interpretation

- 2.1 In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:
- 2.1.1 "Council" means Northumberland County Council
- 2.1.2 "The Act" means the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984
- 2.2 Any reference in this order to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended, applied, consolidated, re-enacted by or as having effect by virtue of any subsequent re-enactment.

3. Restrictions

- 3.1 The restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation of any restrictions or requirements imposed by any Regulations made or having effect as if made under the Act or by or under any other enactment.
- 3.2 Where an Act of Parliament referred to in this Order or any Regulation, Direction or Order made under it is repealed and new provisions enacted (with or without modifications) new provisions shall be substituted in this Order where relevant.
- 3.3 Except where otherwise stated, any reference in this Order to a numbered article or schedule is a reference to the article or schedule bearing that number in this Order.
- 3.4 The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply to this Order as it applies to an Act of Parliament

4. Introduction of New 30mph Speed Limit

4.1 Save as provided in Article 5, this Order shall render it unlawful for a person to cause or permit a vehicle to proceed at a speed in excess of 30mph on those lengths of highway detailed in Schedule 1.

5. Exemptions

5.1 Nothing in Article 4 shall make it unlawful for a person to drive in excess of the stated speed limit on the length of roads specified in Schedule 1 if it is being used for police, fire and rescue or ambulance purposes.

6. Power to modify or amend this Order

- 6.1 The operation of this Experimental Order or any provision of it may be modified or suspended by the Council's Director of Local Services and Housing if it appears to him essential -
- 6.1.1 In the interests of the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic;
- 6.1.2 In the interests of providing suitable and adequate on-street parking facilities, or
- 6.1.3 For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which any road affected by the order runs.
- 6.2 This power shall be exercised only after consulting the appropriate chief officer of police and giving such public notice as the Secretary of State may direct

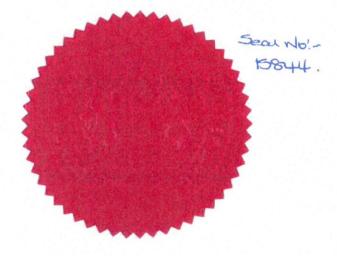
7. Revocations

None

GIVEN under the Common Seal of the County Council of Northumberland this 30th day of November 2016.

The **COMMON SEAL** of **THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF NORTHUMBERLAND** was hereunto affixed in the presence of:

Duly Authorised Officer.



SCHEDULE 1

Introduction of New 30mph Speed Limit

- (i) A697 Morpeth to Cornhill road from a point at the existing 30mph speed limit start / end point north of Powburn (approximately 400 metres south of its junction with the U1093) to a point approximately 75 metres north of its junction its junction with the U1093.
- (ii) U1093 Branton junction Hedgeley Crossroads road From its junction with the A697 westwards for approximately 60 metres.
- (iii) C82 Hedgeley Crossroads to Eglingham junction road From its junction with the A697 eastwards for a distance of approximately 50 metres.

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STATEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S REASONS FOR MAKING THE ORDER

The Order is necessary as part of the implementation of a Local Safety Scheme which will assist in improving road safety in the area.

