

**NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
(LYNEMOUTH EAST ROAD AND RAIL BRIDGE WEIGHT
AND WIDTH LIMIT RESTRICTION ORDER 2020)
(TROM_172)**

Northumberland County Council, in exercise of their powers under Sections 1(1), 1(2), 2(1), 2(2) and 4 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act"), and the Traffic Management Act 2004 ("the 2004 Act) and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, hereby make the following order:

1. (1) This Order shall come into operation on the ***** day of ***** 2020 and may be cited as "Northumberland County Council (Lynemouth East Road and Rail Bridge Weight and Width Limit Restriction) Order 2020."
 - (2) The restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation from any restriction or requirement imposed by any regulation made or having effect as if made under the Act or by or under any other enactment.
 - (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.
 - (4) The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
2. Save as provided in Article 3 of this Order, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle from entering or proceeding on the Lynemouth East Road and Rail Bridge in the County of Northumberland...:
 - (1) with a gross weight of, or in excess of 3 Tonnes; and
 - (2) with an overall width, together with load (if any) carried thereon, in excess of 6 feet 6 inches.
3. Nothing in Article 2, shall make it unlawful for a person to cause or permit a vehicle to proceed on the Lynemouth East Road and Rail Bridge so long as may be necessary to enable:-
 - (1) the vehicle, if it cannot conveniently be used for such purposes in any other road, to be used in connection with the following operations:-
 - (a) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;
 - (b) the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of the Lynemouth East Road And Rail Bridge;
 - (c) for fire and rescue, police, ambulance or special forces purposes;
 - (d) the laying, erection, alteration or repair in or on land adjacent to the said lengths of road or sides of road of any sewer or of any main, pipe or

apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or of any telecommunications apparatus as defined in the Communications Act 2003.

- (2) the vehicle if it cannot conveniently be used for such purpose in any other road, to be used in the service of a local authority in the pursuance of statutory powers or duties.

The Common Seal of Northumberland County Council

was hereunto affixed this xxxxxx day of xxxxxxxx 2020

In the presence of:-

Duly Authorised Officer

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**STATEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S REASONS FOR
PROPOSING TO MAKE THE ORDER**

The Order is necessary on road safety terms. The Lynemouth East Road and Rail Bridge has been identified as being under strength which is accelerating its decay. At present it is being closely monitored on a regular basis to ensure that it remains safe. It is therefore recommended to impose a 3 tonne weight limit and a 6 foot 6 inch width restriction on this bridge.