

**Delegated Decision**

**April 2022**

**SPENNYMOOR**

**PARKING AND WAITING RESTRICTIONS**

**TRAFFIC REGULATION AMENDMENT ORDER 2022**

**Ordinary Decision/Key Decision No.**



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**Report of Major Projects - Strategic Traffic Management, Regeneration, Economy and Growth.**

**Electoral division(s) affected:**

Spennymoor & Tudhoe.

**Purpose of the Report**

To request approval to progress a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce parking and waiting restrictions in Spennymoor.

**Executive summary**

Concerns have been received via Durham Constabulary, Local Elected Members and residents regarding road safety, obstructive parking and visibility issues within the area covered by the Spennymoor TRO. It is therefore recommended to make an amendment to this TRO.

Following the recent site development of Festival Walk it is also proposed to introduce 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on Festival Walk and Holborn/Oxford Road.

These proposals will also see the extension and introduction of 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on High Grange Road.

Statutory Consultees fully supported the proposals whilst 3 objections were received from directly affected frontages towards 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on Festival Walk during an informal consultation phase.

**Recommendation**

To approve the progression of the TRO as requested.

## **Background**

### *Festival Walk & Holborn/Oxford Road:*

Festival Walk is located within the heart of Spennymoor's town centre and was previously a hotspot for many local businesses in the area.

Following a decline in business tenancy, Festival Walk has recently seen redevelopment and the location has now attracted the occupancy of Aldi which is accessed via Holborn/Oxford Road. This redevelopment has also seen the introduction of a new off-street car park (Festival Walk Car Park). .

It is proposed to introduce 'no waiting at any time' restrictions either side of the newly developed access road leading to Festival Walk Car Park, as well as either side of the access road leading from Holborn/Oxford Road into Aldi, to prevent obstructive parking and improve traffic flow.

Informal Consultation, conducted: 21.12.21 – 12.01.22

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
23	1	3

### *Front Street:*

Front Street is an industrial area located south of the Spennymoor, A688 bypass and is accessed via the southern leg of the roundabout at the junction of the A688 & B6288.

Durham Constabulary have received repeated complaints from local business concerning obstructive parking on the section of Front Street between Jewson Spennymoor and The Winning Post (PH). Despite repeated visits, Durham Constabulary are having limited effect in enforcing this area of unrestricted highway which has further led to vehicles beginning to park wholly within the footway and verge.

It is therefore proposed to introduce 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on the western side of Front Street, between Jewson Spennymoor and The Winning Post (PH), as well as on the eastern side adjacent to the access of Jewson to prevent obstructive parking and improve traffic flow.

High Grange Road:

High Grange Road is located immediately north of Spennymoor's town centre and is accessed via the heavily trafficked C152, King Street/Durham Road which leads traffic north through Tudhoe to join the A167 at Croxdale.

There are existing school keep clear markings ('no stopping, Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm') on High Grange Road, as well as 'no waiting at any time' restrictions either side of the junction from the C152 into King Street, to address road safety concerns associated with traffic around King Street Primary School.

We have received reports from the local councillor that vehicles associated with the neighbouring school are parking in an obstructive manner around the junction from the C152, King Street into High Grange restricting access and visibility for approaching traffic.

It is therefore proposed to extend existing 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on the north side of the junction from the C152, King Street into High Grange Road and to introduce further 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on the southern side of the junction to prevent obstructive parking.

Informal Consultation, conducted: 09.11.21 – 30.11.21

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
3	0	0

## **Main implications**

Consent to the progression of the following parking and waiting restrictions:-

### To introduce:

'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions at :

- Festival Walk
- Front Street
- Holborn/Oxford Road
- High Grange Road

## **Conclusion**

It is recommended to progress to formal advertising of the TRO subject to satisfactory consultation, proceed to seal and the creation of an enforceable TRO.

From time-to-time consolidation of orders may be required following amendment of an Order. If this is considered necessary, then this Authority may be used for the advertising and sealing of both Orders.

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## **Appendix 1: Implications**

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### **Legal Implications**

Enforceable TRO

### **Finance**

Strategic Traffic.

### **Consultation**

Statutory Instrument 2489

### **Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty**

It is considered that there are no Equality and Diversity issues to be addressed.

### **Climate Change**

It is considered that there are no Climate Change issues to be addressed.

### **Human Rights**

No impact on Human Rights.

### **Crime and Disorder**

No impact on Crime and Disorder

### **Staffing**

No impact on staffing.

### **Accommodation**

No impact.

### **Risk**

No change to the risk impact.

### **Procurement**

Durham County Council Legal Services.