



### **Delegated Decision**

May 2024
Easington & Hetton
PARKING AND WAITING RESTRICTIONS
TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2024
Ordinary Decision/Key Decision No.



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

### Electoral division(s) affected:

Easington

### **Purpose of the Report**

To request approval to progress a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce 'no waiting at any time' and amend existing 'no waiting at any time' restrictions in Easington.

# **Executive summary**

Following requests from a local County Councillor, concerns have been raised regarding Seaside Lane & Stockton Road. It's therefore recommended to make an amendment to the Easington & Hetton TRO.

The proposals are to introduce and amend 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on Stockton Road and Seaside Lane to improve road safety, access, visibility, and traffic flow whilst reducing obstructive parking and congestion issues.

The response from Statutory Consultees was fully in favour, but directly affected frontages were less favourable of the proposals, with 1 objection raised in relation to Paradise Lane, and 4 objections for Stockton Road. The objection regarding Paradise Lane was later withdrawn as a result of a conversation with the resident(s).

There was support from all the local members with Durham Constabulary fully supporting to the proposals.

### Recommendation

To approve the progression of the TRO as requested.

### **Background**

#### Stockton Road

Stockton Road is located within Easington and is a residential area which has a high volume of traffic.

A local member has raised concerns about the number and manner of vehicles parking in the area, causing obstruction to the carriageway. Parked vehicles are impeding visibility and affecting traffic flow in the area which is having a negative effect on road safety. The reported issues were evident to officers during a subsequent site visit.

It is therefore proposed to introduce 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on both sides of Stockton Road, leading to its junctions with Durham Lane and South Side to prevent obstructive parking. This will improve visibility and accessibility at this location and improve road safety.

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
13	0	4

### Paradise Lane

Paradise Lane is a residential street located near the centre of Easington. Current restrictions have been implemented previously to address concerns of obstructive parking at the junction of Seaside Lane.

New concerns were raised by a local Councillor regarding obstructive parking around and opposite the junction of Paradise Lane, leading to Seaside Lane. Parking at this location creates visibility issues for vehicles leaving the junction, reducing road safety.

It is therefore proposed to introduce new restrictions and amend the existing 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on Paradise Lane and Seaside Lane. An extension of the current restrictions around the junction onto Seaside Lane, leading to the junction with St. Nicholas Terrace is proposed and will improve the visibility of the junction and the traffic flow. In addition to this it is also proposed to introduce a section of 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on Seaside Lane, opposite its junction with Paradise Lane, improving traffic flow on Seaside Lane and road safety of vehicles turning east out of the junction.

A section of the existing restrictions on Paradise Lane will be removed to assist in accommodating the displaced parking from Seaside Lane.

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
16	1	1*

<sup>\*</sup>Objection withdrawn since discussing proposals with resident.

## Main implications

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

### To introduce:

'No waiting at any time' restrictions at:

- Stockton Road, Easington
- South Side, Easington
- Durham Lane, Easington
- Seaside Lane, Easington
- St Nicholas Terrace, Easington

#### To amend:

'No waiting at any time' restrictions at:

Paradise Lane, Easington

#### 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**

## **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.**