

Delegated Decision

December 2024

DURHAM CITY (SOUTH-EAST)

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:

Elvet and Gilesgate

Purpose of the Report

To request approval to progress a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce and amend parking & waiting restrictions in Durham City's South-East division.

Executive summary

Concerns have been received via Durham Constabulary, Local Elected Members and residents regarding road safety, obstructive parking, visibility & access issues within the area covered by Durham City's (South-East) TRO. It is therefore recommended an amendment be made to this TRO.

Following the removal of bus services on Whinney Hill, it is proposed the existing bus stop clearway markings be removed in place of additional 'permit holder or pay and display' parking restrictions in appropriate locations.

Where additional parking cannot be accommodated, these clearways will revert to the existing 'no waiting at any time' restrictions (double yellow lines) in place. It is then also proposed these existing 'no waiting at any time' restrictions be extended in a number of Whinney Hill's adjoining cul-de-sacs.

This TRO will also oversee the introduction of 'permit holder only' restrictions, in place of existing pay & display restrictions, on Whinney Hill as well as the extension of existing 'permit holders or pay & display' restrictions on Stockton Road

Durham Constabulary and Local Members fully support each proposal.

Recommendation

To approve the progression of the TRO as requested.

Background

Whinney Hill

Whinney Hill is primarily a residential area adjoined by multiple cul-de-sacs with narrow junctions. It adjoins the A177 at its roundabout with Stockton Road & Hallgarth Street on the outskirts of Durham City Centre as a primary route for those travelling into the city from settlements such as Shincliffe & Bowburn. The majority of properties in this area do not have off-street parking which has created a high demand for on-street parking that often congests it's narrow junctions thereby creating access issues for larger vehicles.

Bus services have recently been discontinued through Whinney Hill and Durham County Council's Integrated Passenger Transport team have advised that there is no realistic prospect of bus services being restored on this route. This has provided an opportunity to review and increase the on-street parking provision in the area.

Whilst on-street parking cannot be accommodated within all of the newly redundant bus stop clearways, it is proposed that an 18-metre length section of 'Permit Holders or Pay and Display' bays be introduced to increase on-street parking availability. Where additional parking cannot be accommodated, these clearways will revert to the existing 'no waiting at any time' restrictions in place.

It has been reported that on several occasions refuse wagons have been unable to access Hallgarth View from Whinney Hill, and the cul-de-sac adjacent to no.44/61 Whinney Hill, due to vehicles parking in close proximity to the junctions. To resolve this issue, it is proposed that the existing 'no waiting at any time' restrictions at these junctions are extended to aid movement for larger vehicles.

In addition, it is also proposed that existing 'permit holder or pay and display' parking restrictions, leading into Illingworth Grove, be amended to 'permit holders only' restrictions to reflect similar parking arrangements in the immediate area.

Initial Consultation

Directed Affected frontages were consulted between 01.11.24 - 22.11.24:

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
72	4	5

Stockton Road

Stockton Road is a section of the A177 which runs adjacent to the north of the Durham University Campus. It is a primary route utilised by those travelling into the city from settlements such as Shincliffe & Bowburn or from the A1(M) at junction 61. Situated between the Quarryheads Lane / New Inn crossroads and its roundabout with Hallgarth Street / Whinney Hill, there are a high proportion of residential properties that rely on the on-street parking available on this route.

We have received requests from local members to review the provision of on-street parking and identify opportunities where capacity can be increased. Durham County Council's Strategic Traffic team have therefore identified suitability in extending the existing 'permit holder or pay and display' bays adjacent to Mountjoy Crescent. It is expected this will improve parking availability and relieve pressures of on-street parking in the immediate area.

Initial Consultation

Directed Affected frontages were consulted between 01.11.24 - 22.11.24:

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
20	2	0

Main implications

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

To introduce:

‘No waiting at any time’ restrictions on:

- Whinney Hill

‘Permit holders or pay and display, 8am – 6pm’ restrictions on:

- Stockton Road
- Whinney Hill

‘Permit Holders only’ restrictions on:

- Whinney Hill

To amend

‘No waiting at any time’ restrictions on:

- Stockton Road
- Whinney Hill

‘Permit holders or pay and display, 8am – 6pm’ restrictions on:

- Whinney Hill

‘Permit holders only’ restrictions on:

- Whinney Hill

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

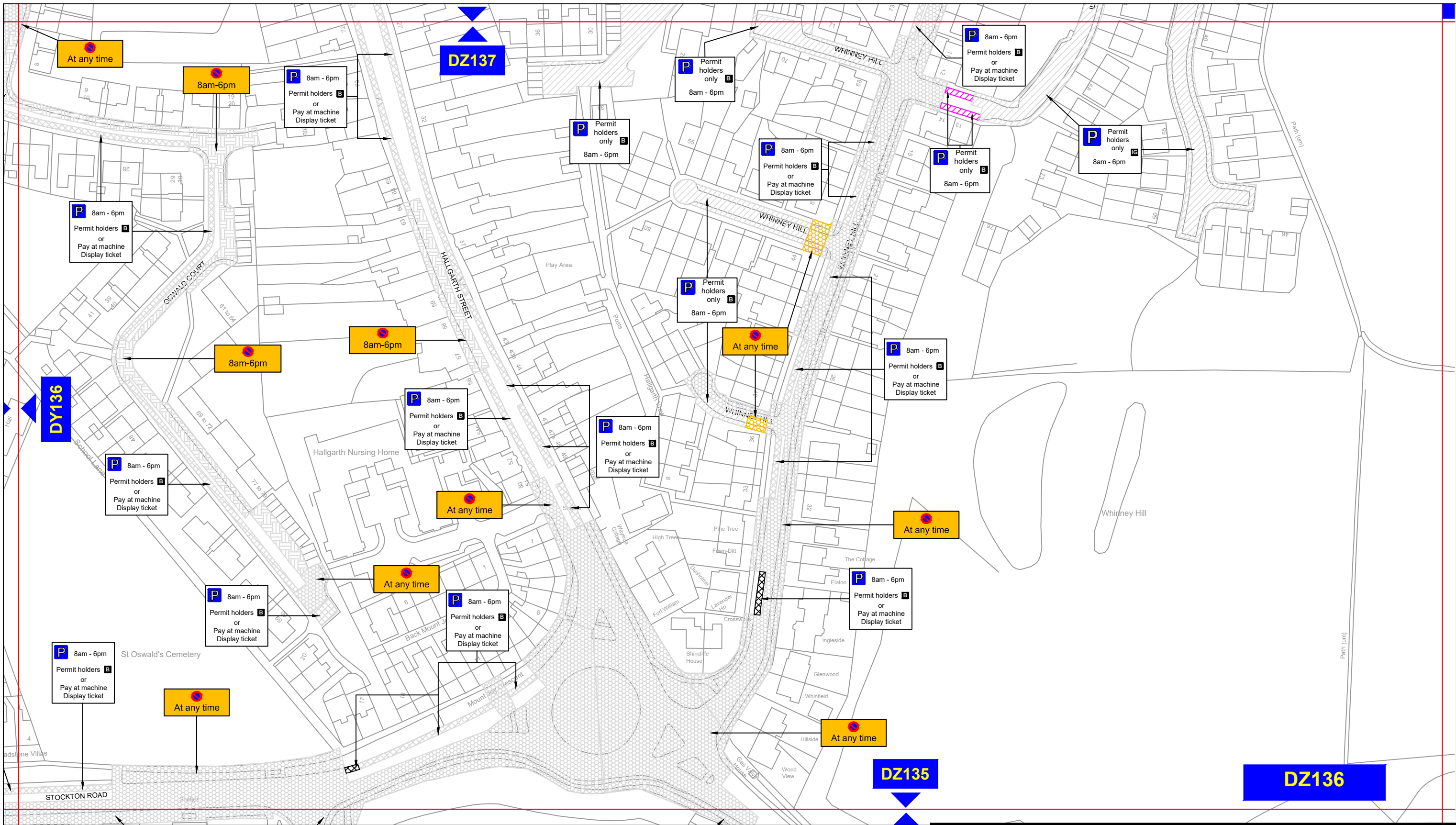
No impact.

Risk

No change to the risk impact.

Procurement

Durham County Council Legal Services.



Key to Types of Restriction

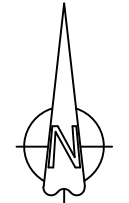
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| | Proposed No Waiting At Any Time | | Existing Restricted Waiting |
| | Proposed Pay and Display and Permit Holders | | Existing Pay and Display and Permit Holders |
| | Proposed Permit Holders Only | | Existing Permit Holders Only |
| | Existing No Waiting At Any Time | | |

Individual Reference Number



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DURHAM CITY, SOUTH EAST
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