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Town Council

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To: All Members of the Planning and Transport Committee

You are invited to attend an informal meeting for the members of the **PLANNING AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE** to be held on **WEDNESDAY 26 January 2022 by Zoom at 7.00pm** for the purpose of considering the minded to decisions of the Proper Officer set out in the agenda below, in accordance with the Scheme of delegation adopted by the Council on 18 January 2022.

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All Members of the Public are welcome to attend.

Vanessa Ricketts
Town Clerk

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Members of the Planning and Transport Committee:

Councillor B Dean (Chairman)
Councillor D Budd
Councillor K Green
Councillor R Schofield

Councillor Z Gover (Vice Chairman)
Councillor D Cleaton
Councillor M Humphries

Please note that Wareham Town Council is a Statutory Consultee for Planning Applications and as such does not make the final decision on any Application. The decisions and comments this Committee makes will be fed into the planning process and added to reports by Planning Officers. Dorset Council is the Planning Authority and will issue the final decision notice (Planning Determination) once their investigations into the application, consultation period and decision-making process have been completed.



**PLANNING AND
TRANSPORT
COMMITTEE INFORMAL
MEETING**

A G E N D A

- 1. Apologies for absence**
- 2. Declarations of interest**

To declare any interests relating to the business of the meeting and receive any dispensation requests from the Clerk. (Localism Act 2011 s29-34)

- 3. Public participation time**

An opportunity for members of the public to raise issues of concern or interest, ask a question or make a statement or present a petition or be part of a deputation. Public participation time will be conducted in accordance with the Council's 'Protocol for Public Participation Time' which is limited to 15 minutes, with no individual speaker exceeding a maximum of three minutes each. (LGA1972 s100)

- 4. Planning Applications**

Dorset Council is the local Planning Authority and consults Wareham Town Council on planning applications received for Wareham Town. To consider the following planning applications received:

Application Number: P/FUL/2021/04965
Location: 1&2 Daler Court, East St BH20 4JW
Proposal: Install replacement windows and doors

Decision required by: 25 January (extension requested)

Minded to decision of the Proper Officer – no objection

Application Number: P/FUL/2021/05434
Location: Lytchett, North Walls BH20 4QN
Proposal: Demolish existing garage and erect a single storey side extension with pitched roof and grant approval for existing garden shed

Decision required by: 10 February

- 5. Northmoor Park Speed Survey**

A report and minded to decision from the Proper Officer for discussion.

- 6. Dorset Council's Proposed Blue Badge Car Park Charging Policy Consultation**

To discuss the attached consultation and make comment for the Proper Officer to pass to Dorset Council under delegation.

7. Planning Decisions

A report to note decisions made by Dorset Council on Wareham applications.

8. Date of next meeting

To note the date of the next informal meeting, which is scheduled for **Wednesday 16 February** at **7.00pm**.



Planning and Transport Committee – 26 January 2022

Northmoor Park Speed Survey Results

1. Purpose of the report

To update Members with the speed survey results.

2. Background

A speed survey for residents of Northmoor Park was undertaken between 4th November and 17th December 2021, to ascertain residents' views on whether there is support for reducing the speed limit from 30 mph to 20 mph.

96 responses were received; however 11 responses were invalid as there was either no address supplied or the address was not within the Northmoor Park area.

The following responses were received:

Do you support the proposal to reduce the speed limit in Northmoor Park to 20 mph?

YES	65
NO	20
TOTAL	85

Attached to the report are comments received.

3. Minded to decision of the Proper Officer

That the results are sent to Dorset Council as requested, to support the Committee's request to have the speed limit in Northmoor Park reduced to 20 mph.

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Comments on why you support or are against the proposal
I think 20 would be safer no need to do 30
There is in adequate amount of parking areas on the estate for the number of properties currently here and planners still allow additional infill properties to be built. There are copious amounts of cars parking on the highway and main road around the estate, this can be very hazardous coming out of junctions onto the main circular as some people insist on careless and senseless parking, restricting visibility etc. It is a wonder there aren't more accidents than presently occur.
Some traffic use Northmoor as a cut through when the main road is busy and speed through. There have been cars speeding around late at night/early hours.
With the number of rising stationary vehicles around the estate, there are becoming more 'pinch points' where cars are meeting unexpectedly due to lack of vision around corners etc. Also, a greater number of young children and animals around the estate are increasing the number of roadside hazards. If a speed limit or even physical points i.e., chicanes or give ways could be put in place that would help significantly.
Reversing out into Northmoor Way is very dangerous because of fast moving vehicles coming round a nearby bend.
Live on Northmoor Way next to Great Ovens bend. Traffic often very fast.
We think that the speed limit should be reduced to 20mph. We have noticed an increase in the speeds of both cars and motorcycles and a tendency for erratic acceleration. With so many vehicles parked on the road and with a mix of young children and the elderly plus pets this is a concern. It does not seem necessary or safe to drive over 20mph. Also, we all need to drive in more sensible way to help counter climate change and pollution. In general vehicle speeds should be reduced especially in residential environments.
Safer for children
Because cars going to fast
There are occasional issues with inappropriate speeding around the way.
traffic speeding through here is going to kill someone one day
I think 30 mph as usual for a residential area is fine, not sure why 20 is suggested as no schools on the estate
That is way too slow! 30mph is just fine!
Busy estate with many bends and parked cars. 30mph is rarely achievable. 20 would be useless unless enforced but traffic flow too low for that to be profitable
I've lived on Northmoor for 37 years, my wife and I walk all around Northmoor Way several times a week, mornings, afternoons and evenings and we have never seen any speeding cars.
This is a highly populated area and includes may hidden pathways. Driving at 30 is too fast in this type of residential area
increased number of vehicles driving too quickly, especially delivery vehicles. I am also concerned with many vehicles parking on pavements and on bends around the estate.
Parked cars make it difficult to see when exiting a driveway.
Vehicles drive too fast around the estate
people use the estate as a racetrack
There are many children here. A collision at 20 instead of 30 can mean the difference between life and death. It's a housing estate, there's no need to be going 30.
There are lots of young families living in the Northmoor area, it makes sense to reduce car speed to reduce any possible future accidents and make it a safer road.
I support it as we have many families with small children in the area and I've seen cars using the road as a race track
Northmoor does seem to have anyone speeding on it, Bere Road is the issue with people speeding
There are so many parked cars on the road for cars to navigate around.20 mile an hour speed limit would make the road safer for motorist and pedestrians

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<p>The majority of Northmoor way, especially the cul-de-sacs, have so many vehicles (cars and large vans) parked along them that I'm surprised you can drive fast around the estate anyway</p>
<p>Because everyone drives too fast on the estate, it's a family estate full of animals and children who need to be kept safe</p>
<p>30mph is unnecessary in a housing estate. Children use this road to cycle; pets cross the road etc. lots of cars park on the road causing you to be on the wrong carriageway as you enter a blind bend.</p>
<p>Please consider some senior residents do not have access to computers /Winter and Covid - a house to house survey would be preferable</p>
<p>There are too many parked cars to drive at 30 mph</p>
<p>Children and animal safety</p>
<p>I am in support of this as we have seen animals injured or killed, people rushing across the roads, could do with extending the limit to Bere Regis road as we live on the corner we constantly see/hear speeding trucks and cars</p>
<p>Cars parked at roadside in this area are a hazard exaggerated by speeding drivers</p>
<p>Strongly in support of this. Lots of dangerously fast driving on Northmoor way</p>
<p>We live in Northmoor Way and traffic travels much too fast past our houses</p>
<p>The park is far enough away from the roads that it doesn't affect kids riding or running out in front of the road. I do think that they should put zebra crossing in to help people cross the road though from the Northmoor park to the walkway and also to the bus and train station</p>
<p>Cars drive too fast around Northmoor and there are many large commercial vans and vehicles which park on junctions and in small side roads. It is impossible to see oncoming traffic round the parked large vans in small roads and onto Northmoor Way. The cars go so fast and cannot see around the large, parked vehicles, one day there will be a serious accident. I have witnessed a near miss with a child on a bike crossing a road between parked vans and a speeding car who did not see them coming out from behind the van (which was parked right on the road junction).</p>
<p>There are so many families that live on Northmoor a lot heading to the park, there are cyclists heading to the forest and very popular area for dog walking. There are many cars that speed round Northmoor making it dangerous for all the afore mentioned pedestrians. I do feel speed bumps or other traffic calming solutions would be more effective as if people ignore the 30 mile an hour limit why would they take notice of the 20 but it's a start.</p>
<p>If brought in, just speed limit no speed calming measure like road humps</p>
<p>Some residents don't even stick to 30mph so it may help to reduce their speed.</p>
<p>Highway safety should always be a priority. However, only implement any restrictions if they can be policed and enforced.</p>
<p>As so many cars are parked and children may run out from behind them. An accident waiting to happen.</p>
<p>It would make it safer for children who are crossing the road and also for vehicles that are pulling out, it's very difficult to see around corners when there are lots of parked cars.</p>
<p>It's highly populated with families, young children should be safer and cars should be 20miles per hour, also along Bere road and within Carey !</p>
<p>I support this proposal as I live in Stour Drive and I have many near misses come out onto Northmoor Way with the speed of traffic</p>
<p>30mph is perfectly safe for the area. Nothing will be gained by changing the limit unless it is policed.</p>
<p>Because I live on the boundary road and cars and motorbikes speed along past my property with no regard for young children who live along the road, pets or parked vehicles on the roadside.</p>
<p>I support reducing the speed limit to 20mph before someone is seriously injured.</p>
<p>Our dog was killed by someone speeding on Northmoor Way.</p>
<p>Waste of Money putting up signs. Will be mass ignored. Speed bumps I would get behind fully.</p>

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<p>It is dangerous - people speeding round the estate and parking on corners and opposite/blocking driveways. Danger to residents - all ages, pets etc. I've seen some cars/motorbikes driving at much greater speeds! Parking restrictions need to be considered also (it's just a matter of time before there is an accident)</p>
<p>If the cars are already speeding, then they have no regard for the limit no matter how low it is set</p>
<p>It is a very pedestrian led area and a 20mph speed limit may work somewhat</p>
<p>We have local cycling links and herbal links to the park and forest and feel the speed reduction would benefit the area</p>
<p>I feel it is needed in case someone is crossing the road and a car can't slow down in time</p>
<p>We have children who like to play out and our drive goes straight on to Northmoor way. The speed in which vehicles go past is totally unnecessary and well over 30mph. It is not safe for children</p>
<p>Because the issue isn't speed, it's parking. Too many cars parking on tight bends leaving minimal visibility. Also, those who respect the 30 limit will respect the 20 - those who speed will speed anyway</p>
<p>This is a residential area where people should take precedence over traffic. There are a great many cars parking on this well used road, this makes it more difficult to see children, pedestrians and animals attempting to cross safely. Cars parked on bends also make it difficult for traffic approaching from different directions, I have witnessed a number of near misses. The traffic speed needs to be slower to make it safe for all road users. I also drive in London where a 20mph limit has been adopted in residential areas, people soon learn to adapt to this speed and to drive safely with respect for others.</p>
<p>We live on the Northmoor way backing on to the golf course. The speed of the cars is crazy, very dangerous and selfish. A 20mph limit if it is properly policed would be good</p>
<p>Support for safety</p>
<p>I have seen cars driving around parts of Northmoor above 30 mph at night and feel that it's only a matter of time before an accident occurs</p>
<p>People parking on dangerous bends is the issue, not the speed.</p>
<p>Too many people drive too fast and it's dangerous with the amount of cars parked on the roads</p>
<p>Cars speeding, very dangerous especially Northmoor Way near Burns Rd where people with dogs pass the road when going to the forest. Speed bumps would help in that area.</p>
<p>Too many parked cars on the roads make it impossible to cross safely, the speed cars drive at make it even more dangerous. Many children on Northmoor; very dangerous for them crossing the road.</p>
<p>People frequently speeding</p>
<p>New properties have been built on bends with inevitable hazard of sight which too many fast drivers taking subsequent risks.</p>
<p>Reduce speed because of the many children and elderly living on Northmoor and coming to the Park(s) from outside Northmoor.</p>
<p>As so many cars are parked and children may run out from behind them. An accident waiting to happen.</p>
<p>I support the reduction of speed due to large amount of elderly and young people crossing roads and cars generally speeding but also the parking on sweeping bends directly opposite each other which causes a narrowing of the road is an issue. We have people working on Westminster estate park opposite my drive which makes getting in and out and issue given that my daughter has a blue badge access is important. I have also seen near misses with driving instructors trying to teach 3 point turns outside my house given that we are on an approach to a sweeping bend I am not sure that this is appropriate!</p>
<p>I have encountered many people speeding on Northmoor. Combined with irresponsible parking on the road and poor observation of right of way I believe it is only a matter of time until an accident occurs.</p>
<p>I do not see people speeding here. My greater concern is parking on bends and junctions around Northmoor reducing visibility</p>
<p>The current 30 mph is acceptable providing this speed limit is adhered to. With the number of vehicles parked around Northmoor Way it is often difficult to get anywhere near this speed.</p>

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The issue is not one of speed as I don't see anyone doing this, but one of visibility. People are too prone to parking on bends and junctions of roads causing terrible visibility issues. On several occasions I have had to apply heavy breaking due to needing to edge out of our road as there has been zero visibility of the road around the parked cars. I understand people need to park near their homes, but these areas should be double yellow lined to improve safety.

Too many fast cars going round

It's a housing estate with children, old people, dogs and cats. There are many parked cars and Northmoor Way is not very wide. I've had some near misses.

We regularly see speeding motorists here, and both of our cats have been run over :- (We worry that next time it will be one of our children. Ideally you should not only reduce the speed limit, but also enforce it via speed bumps or similar. The number of motorists is increasing and so are the chances of serious injury or even death.

Support the proposal for the safety of children and pets such as cats. We live on a corner of the estate and people do not reduce their speed when coming round, which makes it very dangerous.

I live on Northmoor and have never seen anyone driving too fast

Not noticed any speeding?

20 limits do not work, and data shows accidents can actually increase

The current 30 mph is acceptable providing this speed limit is adhered to. With the number of vehicles parked around Northmoor Way it is often difficult to get anywhere near this speed.



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Dorset Council Proposed Blue Badge Car Park Charging Policy

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1. Executive Summary

The purpose of this policy is to align the offer that Dorset Council gives to Blue Badge holders within Dorset Council car parks. The policy should be is easy to understand and consistent across Dorset Council.

The objectives are to:

- have one pan-Dorset Council scheme for Blue Badge holders
- have a policy that meets the needs of Blue Badge holders

The policy does not include applying for a Blue Badge and on-street parking restrictions as these are national arrangements, thus do not fall under the remit of local authorities.

2. Background

Dorset Council Parking Services is currently working under the Parking Orders of the former Councils. This has meant that the offer for Blue Badge holders who park in Dorset Council car parks is different depending on the location that is visited. This has led to disparity of charges, with some areas giving free parking and others requiring payment (with 1-hour free).

As part of the Parking Transformation project, it was recognised that along with other car parking charging alignment that this disparity needed to be addressed.

3. Proposed Blue Badge Car Park Charging Policy

3.1 Proposed scheme for Dorset Council car parks

Dorset Council will offer two concessions:

- i. Provide 3-hours free parking for Blue Badge holders who receive certain allowances, through the purchase of a Restricted Mobility Parking Permit
- ii. Provide 1-hour free parking to all Blue Badge holders when a valid pay & display ticket is purchased

The proposed scheme fulfils the needs of Blue Badge holders, by giving free parking to those who receive certain allowances due to having higher needs. Besides this, it acknowledges the extra time that it may take Blue Badge holders to transition to and from their vehicle and destination, and that they may need more time at their destination.

3.2 Proposed Criteria for Restricted Mobility Parking Permit

Blue Badge holders who receive specified allowances will be entitled to apply for a Restricted Mobility Parking Permit (RMPP). Applicants must have a Blue Badge and be in receipt of one of the following:

- Higher rate mobility component of Disability Living Allowance (DLA)
- Enhanced rate mobility component of Personal Independence Payment (PIP)
- Attendance Allowance
- Higher rate mobility component of Child Disability Payment
- War Pensioners' Mobility Supplement
- Armed Forces Independence Payment

It must only be used for the disabled person's personal needs. It cannot be used by a driver of a Blue Badge holder for their own personal use. The permit holder can only have one Restricted Mobility Parking Permit at any one time.

The cost of the permit is £15 (which covers the administration costs only) and will expire when the holder's Blue Badge expires. The RMPP cannot be transferred to other Blue Badge holders. The Blue Badge must be displayed with the RMPP to receive 3-hours free parking. The Blue Badge parking clock must be set at time of arrival.

3.3 Proposed Criteria for 1-hour Free Parking

Blue Badge holders will qualify for 1-hour free parking when a valid minimum tariff pay & display ticket is displayed with the Blue Badge. The Blue Badge parking clock must be set at time of arrival. The 1-hour free is valid for use by Blue Badge holders in any parking bay including disabled bays (except those as stated below).

3.4 Proposed Car Park Restrictions

- i. Vehicles must be parked within the bay markings. The pay and display charges apply to each space which is fully or partly occupied by a vehicle.
- ii. Some of our car parks have extra-wide designated 'disabled' parking spaces. Vehicles parked in 'disabled' spaces must have a valid blue badge clearly displayed, as well as a valid pay and display ticket/RMPP.
- iii. Parking is not permitted on double yellow lines or on yellow hatched areas within car parks.
- iv. Parking is not permitted in spaces designated for use by other users (such as permit holders) unless the Blue Badge holder also has the relevant permit.
- v. Parking is not permitted in spaces designated for use by specific types of vehicle (such as solo motorcycles) unless the Blue Badge holder's vehicle is of the type for which that space has been reserved.

3.5 Proposed Enforcement

As well as standard enforcement, Blue Badge holders may have their badge withdrawn/receive a Penalty Charge Notice for:

- not displaying the badge clearly
- not displaying the time clock set at time of arrival
- use of a badge that is no longer valid
- use of a badge that has been reported as lost or stolen
- letting a friend or relative use the badge
- use of a copied badge
- altering the details on the badge, for example, the expiry date
- making a fraudulent application (for example, providing false information on the application form) or using a badge obtained fraudulently

Misuse by a third party:

- using someone else's badge (with or without the badge holder's knowledge) without the badge holder being present in the vehicle at some point during the trip
- using a badge belonging to someone who has died
- copying, altering or faking badges
- using a stolen badge
- using a fake badge

4. Blue Badge Car Park Charging Policy Review

The Blue Badge Policy will be reviewed annually. When reviewing parking charges Dorset Council will consider:

- national changes to the Blue Badge scheme
- the effectiveness of the policy for Blue Badge holders
- the effectiveness of the policy for keeping highways clear
- the policy of neighbouring authorities and by private sector car parks within the local area, as well as comparing it with Dorset's Town Councils

Any change in policy will be subject to the usual legal procedure for consultation and advertisement.

Application	Location	Proposal	WTC Decision	DC Decision
6/2021/0248	20 West St	Replace cellar hatch. Clean stone on walls/stairs existing cellar. Supply & fit new stones in cellar. Block end of cellar with red brick/wooden doors to close off storage. 1st & 2nd fix electrics to lighting. Box in pipework/board ceiling. Tile floor area. New flooring in entrance hallway, lounge area & WC.	No objection	Under officer consideration
P/FUL/2021/04066	36-38 West St	Conversion of two flats to form one dwelling house, rear roof lights, internal alterations and window replacement.	No objection	Under officer consideration
P/FUL/2021/03911	St Mary's Church Green	Form new surface water drainage to the south of the church.	No objection	Out to consultation
P/FUL/2021/03967	28 Tarrant Drive	Development of existing house into two semi-detached houses	No objection	Under officer consideration
P/FUL/2021/04060	15B South St	Demolish existing and erect a replacement dwelling	No objection but would like to see a parking agreement with St Johns House for access and egress.	Under officer consideration
P/LBC/2021/04098	14a North St	Remove existing chimney, replace the internal trays and rebuild as existing	No objection	Granted
P/LBC/2021/04423	10 Church St	Re-roofing of main roof area	No objection, providing the drainpipe and guttering were metal and not UPVC. It was noted that the application and specification refer to using different tiles.	Granted

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P/HOU/2021/04581	28 Worgret Rd	Remove single detached garage and erect single storey side extension and a new detached garage	No objection	Out to consultation
P/HOU/2021/04535	39 Mill Lane	Erect single storey rear extension	No objection	Out to consultation
P/HOU/2021/04824	Flat 2 South Bestwall House	Erect single storey side extension and re-instatement of chimneys	No objection	Out to consultation
6/2021/0351	18 Tarrant Drive	Retain shed for purposes ancillary to residential use of 18 Tarrant Drive	No objection	Under officer consideration
P/FUL/2021/05077	The Old Courts	Erect single storey rear extension to provide additional office space. Provide new parking spaces and relocate cycle shelter	No objection	Out to consultation