

# NORTHUMBERLAND

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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: Local Transport Plan Programme 2016-17**

I am writing to ask you to let me know what your top three highways and transport priority issues are so they can be considered for inclusion in the Local Transport Plan (LTP) Programme 2016-17. This consultation is part of the annual review of LTP priorities.

To assist you in identifying priorities for your area, enclosed is a record of highways and transport related requests contained on the Directory of Requests database, from your area in the last three years. The Directory of Requests records all highways and transport related requests we receive from Members, Parish/Town Councils, other organisations and the public.


Please note that these are simply a record of requests received and not proposals. Inclusion on the list does not imply that a scheme will be implemented. If no list is attached this means we do not currently hold any requests for your Parish. Also attached is feedback on requests received last year.

**You are asked to submit your priorities by email to [Richard.Mckenzie@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:Richard.Mckenzie@northumberland.gov.uk) before 25th September 2015.**

This is your opportunity to influence the draft programme. Your priority issues will be scored against LTP criteria and those with the highest score overall will be considered for inclusion in the 2016-17 LTP Programme.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

Yours sincerely,



Richard McKenzie  
Senior Programme Officer

## **Northumberland Local Transport Plan (LTP) Programme Prioritisation Criteria for LTP Schemes**

### **Integrated Transport**

- Requests are assessed against the following criteria:

#### *Contribution to National Transport Goals:*

- a) Support Economic Growth
- b) Reduce Carbon Emissions
- c) Promote Equality of Opportunity
- d) Contribute to Better Safety, Security and Health
- e) Improve Quality of Life and a Healthy Natural Environment

#### *Other Criteria:*

- f) Part of a package of measures
  - g) Community Priority
  - h) Attracts External Funding or Synergy with other projects
- Proposals are scored depending on the contribution they make to each of the criteria. Requests that contribute most to the criteria will receive the highest score. The highest scoring issues in each area will be recommended for inclusion in the draft programme.
  - When submitting priorities, please give as much information as possible, including the location and the reason for the priority, i.e. what is the issue that needs to be addressed? (e.g. pedestrian safety, speeding traffic). In each case it is the "issue" that is scored, not the proposed solution.

### **Roads, Bridges & Public Rights of Way Maintenance**

- The road, footway and bridge maintenance programme is developed on the basis of condition data and the long term cost implications of not maintaining the highway asset.
- A number of other indicators contribute to the scoring process, these include road safety and the need to maintain access.

### **Notes**

- The LTP programme is capital funding. It cannot be used for revenue funded schemes, such as, public transport services or pothole repairs. This means that requests for new or improved bus or rail services will be forwarded to the Public Transport Team, who through their work with bus and train operators, encourage improved service provision. Public transport infrastructure, e.g. raised kerbs at bus stops, is eligible for LTP funding. Routine maintenance requests, such as, pothole filling or ditch clearance will be forwarded to the relevant Area Offices for investigation and action as appropriate.

## Amble Town Council

<p>Priority 1</p> <p>Concerns for pedestrian safety outside the chemists on Percy Street. Parked vehicles block sightlines.</p>	<p>If a controlled pedestrian crossing were provided parking would no longer be possible outside the chemist which may not be popular. A pedestrian refuge is available nearby.</p>
<p>Priority 2</p> <p>Traffic turning left out of Woodbine Street do not always realise there is a pedestrian crossing immediately after the turn.</p>	<p>This will be investigated and appropriate signage installed if necessary.</p>
<p>Priority 3</p> <p>Lack of disabled access.</p>	<p>Dropped kerbs are being provided in Glendale in the current programme. Further locations can be considered.</p>

Parish: **Amble** Status: **Requested**

**Cycling Schemes**

Ref	Date	Reported By	Request	Location	Remarks
05710	07/01/2014	Helen Lewis helmick72@sky.com	path and cycle route signage - NCN1 contact Sustrans	NCN1 The Braid, Amble	

**Local Safety Schemes**

Ref	Date	Reported By	Request	Location	Remarks
04380	15/07/2014	Amble Town Council	Advance warning of the pedestrian crossing.	Woodbine Street, Amble (to warn of crossing on Albert Street).	To warn drivers turning left into the crossing.

06706 21/04/2015 Resident: Sheila Mossman / Clir Arkless

Request to pedestrian protection posts, either side of the speed bump to stop cars driving with one wheel on the footpath to ease there journey over the speed bump

O/S 48 Philip Drive, Amble

**Minor Improvements**

Ref	Date	Reported By	Request	Location	Remarks
05671	15/07/2014	Amble Town Council	Dropped kerbs required	Various locations around Amble	

05672	15/07/2014	Amble Town Council	Concerns over pedestrian safety	Outside the chemists on Percy Street, Amble	Parked cars block the view for both pedestrians and drivers. There is a pedestrian refuge nearby.
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05746	08/05/2014	Mrs L Brown - Resident	59 Castle View, Amble NE65 0NN, tel: 01665 710807 Case ID: 101002528000. Parking and traffic issues on Broomhill St & Leazes St	Broomhill Street & Leazes Street, Amble
05747	08/05/2014	Miss Wright - Resident	2 Dilston Terrace, Amble NE65 0DT, tel: 01665 798105. Case ID: 101002526604 Dangerous corner	Dilston Terrace, Amble
05937	11/07/2014	Mr Farrington - Resident	Parking Problems	Bay View Ashington NE65 0AZ
05938	11/07/2014	Cllr Robinson	Parked cars causing obstructions	North Street Amble NE65 0BU
05947	11/07/2014	Eileen Williams	Parking issues in Amble	7 West court Amble NE65 0JG
05969	14/07/2014	Linda Oliver	Pedestrian crossing Parking problems are making it difficult for pedestrians to cross the road Extend H bar	Percy street and Percy drive Amble NE65 0AG
06010	16/07/2014	Mrs Sample	Can anything be done to stop people parking outside her property Currently no restrictions in place	George Street Amble
06155	08/09/2014	Amble Town Council	Chicane	Northumbria Terrace and Aidan Road Amble

06280	26/09/2014	Audrey Yeamshire	Parking Problems Residence parking scheme Case ID: 101002742974 Contact No. 01665 711970	22 George Street Amble NE65 0DW		Client Address 5 Lawson Street Amble NE65 0DN 07835113201
06354	16/10/2014	Darren Flanighan Case ID 101002770707	Parking problems due to work being carried out at present	Amble Harbour		
06362	22/10/2014	Resident	Blind corner causing accidents, wants junction signs.	Queen Street, Coquet Street & Turner Street, Amble		
06363	22/10/2014	Resident	Speed concerns, wants traffic calming	Coquet Street, Amble		
06412	11/11/2014	Mr Barry Aitchison	Case ID 101002572558 54 O'Hanlon High Farm Wallsend 0191 2638151 request for indication markings of junction -	Cross street junction with Queens street Amble NE65 0DD		
06419	13/11/2014	Neil parker	(32 Gordon Street, Amble) Request for double yellow lines	Blackwood Street Amble NE65 0BG		
06508	15/01/2015	Mr Rackham	People regularly missing the one way system sign	Turner street to Coquest/Queen street		
06569	17/02/2015	Residents	Resident parking	Ladbroke Street and Harbour Road Amble		

*Traffic Calming Measures*

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Date Reported By</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
05761	14/05/2014	Amble Town Council	Lindisframe Road, Amble	20mph zone in place but no physical traffic calming. Route used by schoolchildren.

*Traffic Regulation Orders*

<i>Ref</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Reported By</i>	<i>Request</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
06608	03/09/2015	Resident: Mr Douglas	Congested traffic, requires parking restrictions	George Street Amble	

## NOTES FROM SIGNAGE MEETING- 004/09/2015

**PRESENT:** Councillors Lewis, Watson & Weir, Julia Aston- ADT

Ann Burke- Business Club was asked to attend also but was not present.

The need for this meeting arose primarily from the Parking meetings where the inadequate/inaccurate signage directing people to the Car Parks and other places was commented on. It was ascertained that for anything to be done, ATC would first need to state a Review of the Town's Signage as a priority under the Local Transport Programme (LTP). This would then be given consideration and assessed by NCC.

However to add weight to the proposal, a report of exactly what is incorrect, inadequate or completely missing would be beneficial. Hence this meeting.

It was strongly felt that with the heightened media awareness of the town and the new additions including the Harbour Village, Paddlers Park and housing, that it was vital to get the signage correct as the town could expect even more visitors in the near future. Clear directions to the parking and facilities in the town is absolutely essential.

During discussion, many suggestions were put forward and agreed upon by those present- a more detailed report will follow.

It was acknowledged that funding for the fingerpost directional signs to the Harbour Village was already allocated and that if the public consultation about the 1 way system was favourable, then, although this would need funded, it had been suggested that NCC had already allocated some money for this.

As we are all aware, our priorities would be considered alongside many others from the area, all vying for a limited pot of money. Also these priorities are for the next financial year with the likelihood that it could be a further year- 2017- before all the administration procedures are completed for the work to be carried out.

If this is a priority for the LTP a detailed report would accompany that. This would be circulated to all Members before submission to NCC but in view of the Agenda going out today, it was felt this brief report needed to be submitted so the below proposal could be discussed.

It was suggested that if it would help to progress the matter more speedily, that NCC Members might contribute from their Small Schemes Budget and agreement in principle from ATC to make a contribution would be asked in the next Council meeting.