



South Tyneside Council

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Dear Sir

**Proposed Traffic Management Measures and Introduction of 20 mph Zone
(Fellgate Area Part 2), area bound by (but not including) Hedworth Lane
and Durham Drive, Hedworth**

This Council carried out a consultation with respect to the introduction of a 20 mph zone in the above area during July of this year. In this consultation, the proposed Fellgate area 20 mph zone was split into two parts and all parties were consulted separately. This way the Council could seek the opinions of the residents and relevant stakeholders in each area before reaching a decision for a suitable way forward. Following internal discussions, these plans have again been significantly altered to reflect issues raised by both stakeholders and other interested parties (you will receive a revised part 1 separately). I am, therefore, writing to you again to determine any views that you may have taking into account this development.

In this particular case road surface colouration will be used as speed reduction features, with no physical measures such as road humps or cushions proposed within the limits of the zone, in addition to those already in place.

The full extent of the zone is shown on the attached drawing No T6-16/05B.

The proposed measures are intended to reduce and/or maintain low vehicle speeds as well as vehicle flows throughout the estate. These reductions will help to improve road safety by reducing the potential for injury accidents associated with vehicles, in residential areas.

The proposed traffic management will take the form of 5m lengths of red coloured surfacing for the width of the carriageway. These measures will be strategically located throughout the zone. The area bound by Hedworth Lane and Durham Drive will be appropriately signed at all entrances/exits.

I must point out that this scheme would be experimental for a 12 month period following implementation, should the scheme proceed. If after the 12 month period, the scheme does not meet the required criteria as set down by the Department for Transport, and speed checks show that an acceptable low speed is not being achieved, a suitable alternative will be further investigated and the consultation process revisited.

In accordance with the Road Traffic Regulations Act, I should be grateful if you would kindly inform me in writing of any observations you may have concerning this matter. Please contact David Wall on (0191) 229 9233 should you wish to discuss this matter further.

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