

Statement of Reasons

Front Street Whickham Experimental Traffic Regulation Order 2020

The Borough Council of Gateshead ('Council') proposes to introduce an experimental traffic regulation order to introduce a 'No Loading' prohibition to Front Street, Whickham which will prevent vehicles from loading to the south side of Whickham Front Street and will also be in line with the government guidance on maintaining social distancing due to the current COVID-19 pandemic.

The Council as highway authority propose to make the above order in discharge of its duty under Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, 'to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians)' in accordance with the provisions of Section 1(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 namely:

- (a) for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising; or
- (d) for preventing the use of the road by vehicular traffic of a kind which, or its use by vehicular traffic in a manner which, is unsuitable having regard to the existing character of the road or adjoining property; or
- (f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.