THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF GATESHEAD (CROSS LANE, DUNSTON) EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2022

Statement of Reasons

Gateshead Council is proposing to undertake an experiment to assess the impact of keeping the junction of Cross Lane closed to motorised vehicles.

During the closure Gateshead Council will monitor traffic flows along the A1114 Handy Drive as well as the remaining open section of Cross Lane which leads onto Scotswood View.

Gateshead Council will also be assessing whether the closure will improve the bus service which operates along the centre link route which is located on the A1114 Handy Drive.

Gateshead Council will be assessing whether the closure improves the pedestrian and cycle flows along the NCN 14 Keelmans Way Cycle Route which crosses over the A1114 Handy Drive and goes along Cross Lane before turning right and following the shared use path which runs alongside the Newcastle to Carlisle Rail line.

Gateshead Council working in accordance with the North East Transport Plan 2021-2035 is committed to promoting more sustainable modes of transport by not only improving bus reliability but also encouraging residents to take advantage of the improved cycle and pedestrian routes which are being created within the Gateshead Borough.

(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,



(c) for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians),



(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,



(f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

