

**The Borough Council of Gateshead (Chowdene / Whickham North Gateshead) (School Keep Clear Restrictions) Traffic Regulation Order 2016**

**Statement of Reasons**

Following the new build Front Street School, Whickham it has become necessary to restrict parking on North View within the vicinity of the school and at the junction with Laburnum Grove.

Additionally the streets within the vicinity of Cedars School; Ivy Lane, Lyndhurst Grove and Blackrow Lane, are all narrow roads with residential parking and accesses.

The Council is proposing the waiting restrictions following complaints that vehicles are parking in such a way at these locations to cause obstruction and reduce overall road width which is compromising road safety.

Vehicles parking at the various junctions and property accesses:

- reduce the carriageway width that restricts the access and movement of larger vehicles such as refuse vehicles and emergency service vehicles which are therefore unable service the road
- obstructs driver's sight lines which raises safety issues in relation to other road users including pedestrians, particularly at crossings.