

**NEWCASTLE CITY COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT OF A SINGLE PERMIT SCHEME
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PERMIT SCHEME
(ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2007 AS AMENDED BY THE TRAFFIC
MANAGEMENT PERMIT SCHEME (ENGLAND) (AMENDED) REGULATIONS
2015**

THE CONSULTATION – YOUR CHANCE TO COMMENT

Part 3 of the Traffic Management Act (TMA) 2004 introduced permit schemes as a new way in which activities in the public highway could be managed and to improve authorities' ability to minimise disruption from road and street works.

The Newcastle City Council permit scheme is prepared and designed to improve the management of works in the street undertaken by the highway authority and statutory undertakers.

It is an important aspect of duties and policies of the authority to manage activities in the street so as to minimise the impact of activities whilst allowing essential activities to take place.

The Newcastle City Council Permit Scheme intends to use incentives and discounts to encourage promoters to actively plan the methodology and scheduling of works with the future in mind which it is hoped will lead to

- Reduce both the number of street and highways works, and their duration through proactive management of activities on the highway to minimise disruption to the travelling public;
- Ensure accurate information is available to the public through improved quality and timeliness of information received from all works promoters;
- Encourage proactive and collaborative planning and working between all works promoters; and
- Ensure all works promoters are treated fairly and with parity.

The scheme will apply to all adopted roads throughout the city of Newcastle, the "specified area" for the purposes of the regulations. Motorways and trunk roads are not included in this scheme as they are and remain the responsibility of Highways (England).

Before the scheme can be introduced Newcastle City Council is seeking the views of those who will be affected to ensure it reflects the guidance and regulations as well as suiting the needs of the authority and those surrounding it.

Please return your completed questionnaire by 5pm Monday 4th November 2019

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ABOUT YOU

- A) Are you responding as an individual or on behalf of an organisation?**

- B) Which best describes your company or organisation, Utility, Local Authority, Transport Authority etc?**

- C) Your name (optional)**

- D) Your company or organisation(optional)**

- E) Your position in the organisation(optional)**

- F) Your e-mail (optional)**

G) If you are responding on behalf of an organisation or interest group how many members do you have? (optional)

H) If you would like your response or personal details to be treated confidentially please explain why?

THE CONSULTATION

Question 1

Do you consider that the permit scheme is suited to the needs of the people, residents and road users of AUTHORITY Council?

If not why?

Question 2

Do you think that the permit scheme reflects the requirements of the requirements of the Statutory Guidance for Permit Schemes and the Statutory Guidance regarding Permit Scheme Conditions?

If NO, please clarify where in the document you feel it does not reflect?

Question 3

Do you think that the permit scheme reflects the requirements of the requirements of the Traffic Management permit Scheme (England) Regulations 2007?

A copy can be found here at

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2007/3372/contents/made>

If NO, please clarify where in the document you feel it does not reflect?

Question 4

Do you understand the conditions that can be applied in granting a permit?

If not, please explain?

Question 5

Do you understand the penalties for not applying for a permit and are they clearly identified in the scheme document?

Question 6

Do you understand the penalties for not complying with a permit condition and are they clearly identified in the scheme document?

Question 7

Do you agree with the monitoring proposed and is it adequate?

If NO, please explain why?

Question 8

Are there any other aspects of the scheme for which you require further clarification?

Question 9

Do you have any suggestions for improving the scheme?

Question 10

Do you have any other comments on the permit scheme?