

NEIGHBOURHOODS AND REGULATORY SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES AND DECISION RECORD

10 November 2025

The meeting commenced at 2.00pm in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool.

Present:

Councillor: Karen Oliver (In the Chair)

Councillors: Fiona Cook, Sue Little, Corinne Male, Amanda Napper, Owen Riddle and
Christopher Wallace

Parish Council Representative:
Lyn Noble, Dalton Piercy Parish Council

Councillor Michael Jorgeson

Officers: Kieran Bostock, Director for Neighbourhoods and Regulatory Services
Jo Stubbs, Principal Democratic Services and Legal Support Officer

7. Announcement by the Chair

The Chair announced that she would relinquishing her place on the Committee and her role as Chair effective immediately. She thanked all members, officers and public attendees for their help and contributions during her tenure. Councillor Owen Riddle was appointed as the new Chair with Councillor Christopher Wallace appointed as Vice-Chair.

Councillor Owen Riddle as Chair

8. Apologies for Absence

None

9. Declarations of Interest

None

10. Minutes of the meeting held on 20 October 2025

Received

11. Local Transport Plan Scheme Update *(Director of Neighbourhoods and Regulatory Services)*

Type of decision

Key

Purpose of report

To seek approval for a delivery programme of safety schemes for this financial year (2025/2026)

Issue(s) for consideration

The Director for Neighbourhoods and Regulatory Services presented the report that identified the allocated budget for Local Safety and Safer Routes to School schemes for 2025/26 and detailed the prioritisation of schemes based on updated road casualty data. The level of demand for safety schemes exceeds the Local Transport Plan and as such a scrutiny assessment was undertaken to develop the preferred list.

As part of the prioritisation approach approved at Committee in October 2019 the following schemes were detailed in the report:

A689 Stockton Road (Brierton Lane/Petrol Station area) – Budget estimate £50K

There had been 2 serious and 5 slight accidents all within this short section of road between Brierton Lane and Stockton Road leading Cleveland Police to identify the road as being of significant concern. The proposed improvements would include the closure of the central reservation gaps, thereby prohibiting right turns, and the removal and re-seeding of the raised grass planting area adjacent to the junction.

A179/ Worset Lane – Budget estimate £90K

There had been 6 accidents at this location. The provision of a segregated right turn lane would be investigated with improvements to signage and road marking and a possible reduction in the speed limit.

A number of additional schemes were also in the development stage but these would be funded from alternate budgets. These included traffic calming in Dalton Piercy, Hart Village and outside West Park School and the introduction of camera enforcement at traffic signalised junctions.

The Co-opted member for Dalton Piercy Parish Council clarified that the traffic calming in the village was being funded by the Parish Council rather than through grant funding. The Director of Neighbourhoods and Regulatory Services acknowledged this and confirmed he would discuss the practicalities of the scheme with the co-opted member in due course.

A member asked that consideration be given to traffic calming measures in a number of Seaton areas.

Suggestions were made regards traffic signalised junctions which would benefit from camera enforcement.

Decision

- I. That the continued oversubscription of the LTP budget and requirement for prioritisation be noted
- II. That the proposed safety scheme for 2025/26 and additional schemes outlined be approved subject to positive public consultation
- III. That delegated authority be given to the Director of Neighbourhoods and Regulatory Services to make changes to the proposed programme in consultation with the Chair of Neighbourhoods and Regulatory Services Committee

12. Any Other Items which the Chairman Considers are Urgent

The Chairman ruled that the following items of business should be considered by the Committee as a matter of urgency in accordance with the provisions of Section 100(B) (4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 in order that the matter could be dealt with without delay.

13. Anti-Social Behaviour

A member raised issues around persistent anti-social behaviour targeted against specific individuals in the Throston Ward. Other members advised that there needed to be involvement from the police and other partner agencies but noted that the key was to identify the culprits. Residents were urged to report any incidents to the police. The Chair asked that the specific details be passed onto himself and the Director of Neighbourhoods and Regulatory Services

The meeting concluded at 2:35pm

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DIRECTOR OF LEGAL, GOVERNANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES

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