

RECORD OF DECISIONS BY CHIEF OFFICERS

THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Dedication and Adoption of Roadways, Swarland

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1. SYNOPSIS

Dedication of roadways at Swarland to allow for their adoption, facilitating maintenance and improvement.

2. IMPLICATIONS (include references to budget and policy framework)

Policy:	Highways maintenance in accordance with local transport plan.
Financial:	Costs relating to bringing the roads up to adoptable standard and ongoing maintenance thereafter, to be funded from Highways budget.
Personnel:	None
Property:	Roadways at Swarland
Crime and Disorder:	None
Equalities:	None
Customer Considerations:	Improvement and maintenance of roadways in Swarland.

3. CONSULTATIONS

Legal Services
Highways Design

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

In accordance with the authority delegated to the Director of Finance it is recommended that the roadways in Swarland (as shown on attached plan) are dedicated as highways and then adopted by the County Council to facilitate their improvement and maintenance.

5. BACKGROUND (including options and reasons)

Swarland has a large number of un-adopted roads which were historically owned by the Treasury.

Northumberland County Council has come under pressure to improve the roads and recently purchased the title to them.

In order to ensure that the roads are brought up to, and then maintained at, an acceptable standard, the land acquired by NCC (as shown on the attached plan) needs to be dedicated as highway land, which in turn will allow the roadways to be adopted as highways.

It is proposed that the land acquired is dedicated as a whole and then adopted section by section. Over a period of time all of the roadways acquired will be brought up to and maintained at a satisfactory standard.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

7. CONTACT OFFICER (S)

This report has been prepared by the Head of Asset Management.

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DECISION TAKEN

Officer(s): Director of Finance

Subject: The Dedication and Adoption of Roadways in Swarland.

Decision Taken: To approve the proposed dedication and piecemeal adoption of roadways in Swarland.

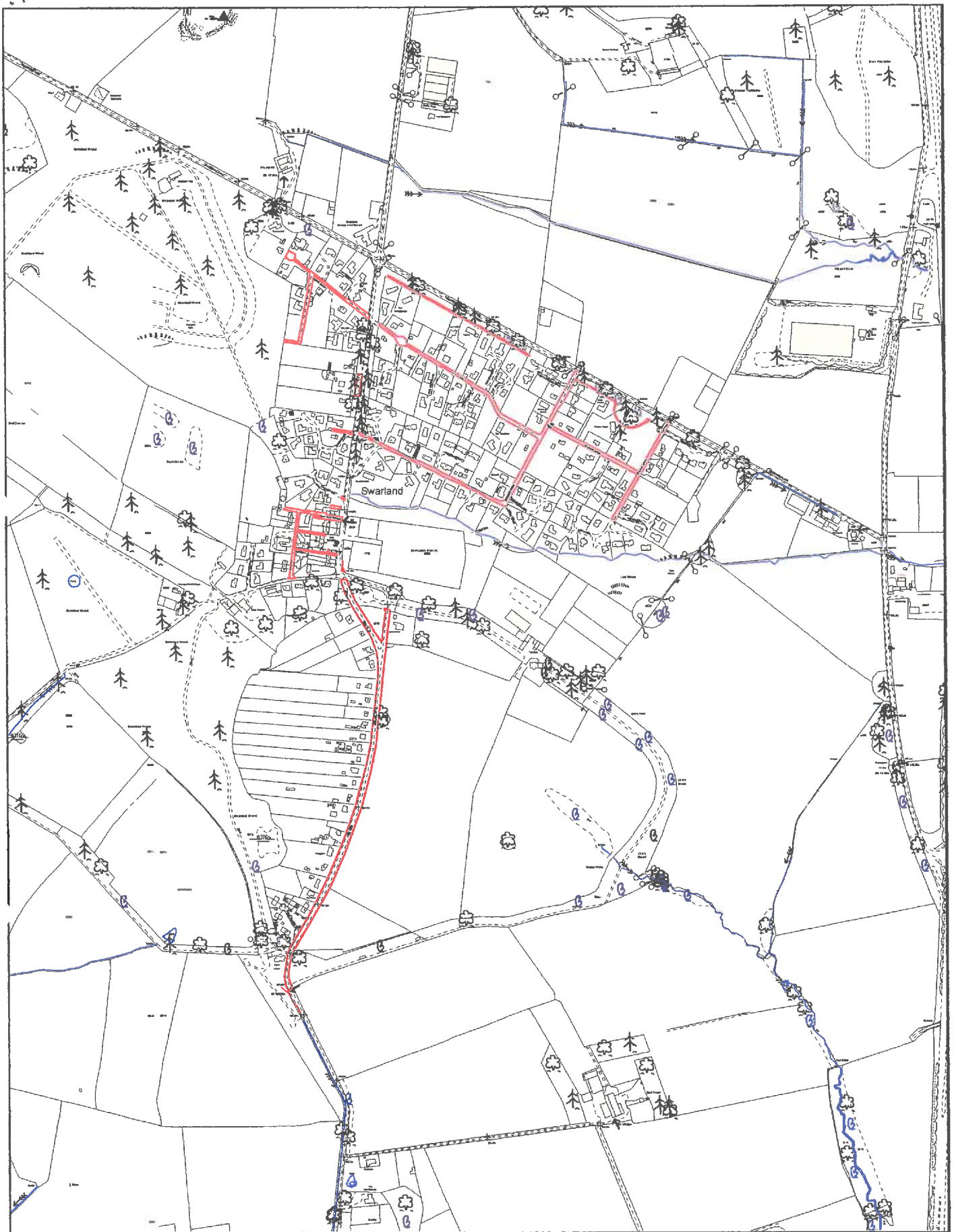
Signature of Officer(s)

Steve P Mason
Director of Finance

Date

15 June 2006

Directorate File Reference:



Swarland Roads

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