

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee – 7 November 2012

**PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS – LOCH LEVEN COMMUNITY CAMPUS,
KINROSS AND BLAIRGOWRIE COMMUNITY CAMPUS****Report by the Depute Director (Environment)****ABSTRACT**

This report outlines the problems experienced at both Loch Leven and Blairgowrie Community Campuses due to inconsiderate parking, and recommends a variation to the relevant Traffic Regulation Orders to introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions at the campuses.

1 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Committee is asked to agree to the promotion of a variation to the relevant Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) for Kinross & Blairgowrie necessary to:
- i) Introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' waiting restrictions on the entrance road to Loch Leven Community Campus from its junction with Lethangie Road for its entire length.
 - ii) Introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions on the entrance road to Blairgowrie Community Campus from its junction with Elm Drive around the turning circle, and also to the west of the parking area on the entrance to the playing fields.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Council has entered into Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) to procure a number of new schools and community campuses across the Council area. This programme of school renewal is generally referred to as the Investment in Learning (IIL) programme. As part of this programme six campuses have been built and are all now operational.
- 2.2 At most of the campuses there have been issues relating to parking and traffic and the Council's Road Safety & Design Team and Public Transport Unit have been working closely with the IIL team to discuss and address these.
- 2.3 Particular problems have been experienced at the entrance roads into Loch Leven and Blairgowrie Community Campuses and this report proposes measures to deal with them.

3 Loch Leven Community Campus

- 3.1 The Loch Leven Community Campus is accessed from Lethangie Road in Kinross. Within the campus there is a one-way system designed to stop and

drop off pupils within an enclosed environment, and to allow general traffic easy access to the campus car park.

- 3.2 Since the opening of the campus, indiscriminate parking at the bus stops and the entrance road has caused access problems and has raised road safety concerns. In order to address these, the IIL team, in consultation with the Road Safety and Design team, arranged for the bus stops to be marked with bus stop clearway markings (with restriction times of 8am to 5pm), and double yellow lines to indicate 'No Waiting at Any Time' on the entrance road opposite the bus stops. It is highlighted that a TRO to make the restrictions enforceable was not promoted at the time as it was agreed to monitor the effect of the double yellow lines first.
- 3.3 These measures have discouraged some drivers from parking at these locations but some continue to park on the entrance road. As a result, and as a short term solution to the immediate problem, a temporary TRO has been put in place to allow the Council's Parking Attendants to enforce the restrictions on the entrance road.
- 3.4 In order to alleviate the problems on a permanent basis it is proposed to vary the Kinross Traffic Management Order to include the restrictions on the entrance road in the Kinross Traffic Management Order.

4 Blairgowrie Community Campus

- 4.1 Blairgowrie Community Campus is accessed from Elm Drive within a new housing estate. The entrance to the campus includes a turning circle area. The system was designed to allow easy access for delivery vehicles and general traffic.
- 4.2 The problems experienced are similar to those at Loch Leven campus and some time ago the IIL team, in consultation with the Road Safety and Design Team and Public Transport Unit, arranged for double yellow lines to be marked at the turning circle.
- 4.3 Again these measures have discouraged some drivers from parking at this location but many continue to park on the turning circle and at the area next to the access to the playing fields. These drivers are dropping off or collecting pupils. As a result, it is proposed to apply further double yellow lines, and as a short term solution to the immediate problem, a temporary TRO has been put in place to allow the Council's Parking Attendants to enforce the restrictions.
- 4.4 In order to alleviate the problems on a permanent basis it is proposed to vary the Blairgowrie Traffic Management Order to include the restrictions on the turning circle and the playing fields access road into the Blairgowrie Traffic Management Order.

5 PROPOSALS

- 5.1 To allow the temporary restrictions to be made permanent it is proposed to promote a variation to the Kinross & Blairgowrie Traffic Management Orders to introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions as shown on the drawings at Appendices 1 and 2.

6 CONSULTATION

- 6.1 The Head of Legal Services, the Head of Democratic Services and the Head of Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report. The Police and local members for the area have also been consulted and support the proposals.

7 RESOURCES

7.1 Capital

- 7.1.1 There are no Capital resource implications arising directly from the recommendations in this report.

7.2 Revenue

- 7.2.1 There will be costs involved in promoting the variation to the TRO. The indicative cost of £500 for advertising the TRO will be met from the IIL budget in 2012/13.

8 COUNCIL CORPORATE PLAN OBJECTIVES 2009-2012

- 8.1 The Council's Corporate Plan 2009-2012 lays out five Objectives which provide clear strategic direction, inform decisions at a corporate and service level and shape resources allocation. This report impacts on the following:
- a. A Safe, Secure and Welcoming Environment
 - b. Healthy, Caring Communities

9 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EqIA)

- 9.1 An equality impact assessment needs to be carried out for functions, policies, procedures or strategies in relation to race, gender and disability and other relevant protected characteristics. This supports the Council's legal requirement to comply with the duty to assess and consult on relevant new and existing policies.
- 9.2 The function, policy, procedure or strategy presented in this report was considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment process (EqIA) with the following outcome:
- a. Assessed as **relevant** but no further actions are required as the proposals summarised in the committee report do not require further assessment as they

do not have an impact on people's wellbeing or equality protected characteristics, other than improving the general safety of the road network and all the benefits this brings to everyone.

10 STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

- 10.1 Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is a legal requirement under the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 that applies to all qualifying plans, programmes and strategies, including policies (PPS).
- 10.2 However, no further action is required as it does not qualify as a PPS as defined by the Act and is therefore exempt.

11 CONCLUSION

- 11.1 This report outlines the problems associated with indiscriminate parking at both Loch Leven and Blairgowrie Campuses. It is now proposed to promote variations to the Kinross & Blairgowrie Traffic Management Orders to make the temporary 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions permanent.
- 11.2 Approval will allow a start to be made to the formal procedure to vary a Traffic Regulation Order. This procedure will involve statutory consultation, preparation of a Draft TRO and advertising in the press. This will provide an opportunity for additional comments to be made or objections to be raised. Should objections be raised, these will be reported back to Committee, with appropriate recommendations.

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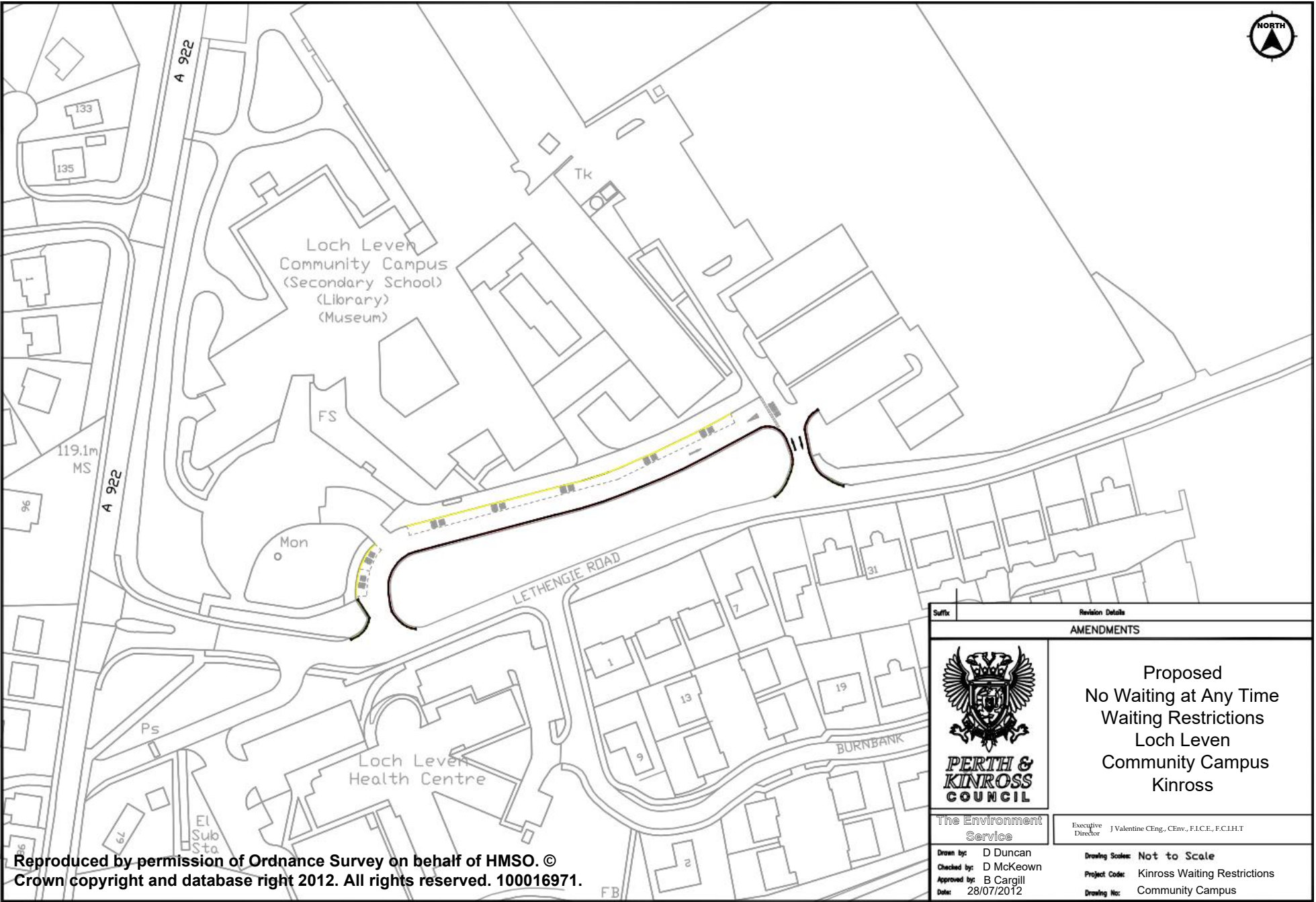
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