

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee – 7 November 2012

PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS – VICTORIA AVENUE AND PERTH ROAD, MILNATHORT**Report by the Depute Director (Environment)****ABSTRACT**

This report outlines the problems experienced by the local residents of Victoria Avenue and Perth Road in Milnathort due to inconsiderate parking, and recommends a variation of a Traffic Regulation Order to introduce 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on Victoria Avenue and Perth Road in Milnathort.

1 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Committee is asked to agree:
to the commencement of the legal procedure to promote a variation to the relevant Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on Victoria Avenue and Perth Road in Milnathort.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The junction of Victoria Avenue and Perth Road was realigned as part of the recent Milnathort Placecheck. This was to make it easier and safer for drivers to exit from Victoria Avenue on to the main road (Perth Road).
- 2.2 During the Placecheck consultation, the possibility of applying double yellow lines in this area was considered. However, it was felt that the operation of the realigned junction should be monitored to determine if restrictions were necessary.
- 2.3 Although the junction improvements have benefited drivers, concerns have now been raised about drivers in the vicinity of the junction and restricted visibility. These concerns have been raised via one of the local Elected Members and requests to prohibit parking have been made.

3 PROPOSALS

- 3.1 The proposal to introduce 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on short sections of Perth Road and Victoria Avenue is shown on the drawing at Appendix 1.
- 3.2 Residents in the vicinity of the proposed restrictions have been consulted. Little feedback was obtained but on residents did advise of their support and asked for further similar restrictions to be introduced at other junctions in Milnathort.

- 3.3 Having considered the results of the consultation it is proposed to proceed with the proposal.

4 CONSULTATION

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

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Capital

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

5.2 Revenue

- 5.2.1 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 Road Safety and Design Budget in 2012/13.

6 COUNCIL CORPORATE PLAN OBJECTIVES 2009-2012

- 6.1 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

7 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EqIA)

- 7.1 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.
- 7.2 The function, policy, procedure or strategy presented in this report was considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment process (EqIA) with the following outcome:
- 7.3 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.

8 STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

- 8.1 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).
- 8.2 However, no further action is required as it does not qualify as a PPS as defined by the Act and is therefore exempt.

9 CONCLUSION

- 9.1 This report outlines the problems for drivers existing Victoria Avenue and details the proposal to promote a variation to the Traffic Regulation Order for Kinross and Milnathort to introduce 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on short sections of Victoria Avenue and Perth Road.
- 9.2 Approval will allow a start to be made to the formal procedure to vary the 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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