AGENDA ITEM NO 7

REPORT NO 156/15

ANGUS COUNCIL

COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 14 APRIL 2015

ANGUS COUNCIL (VARIATION OF WAITING RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2015

REPORT BY THE HEAD OF TECHNICAL AND PROPERTY SERVICES

ABSTRACT

Previous Committees have agreed the promotion of waiting restrictions at various locations in Angus. This report documents the outcome of the statutory consultation with objection to the proposals at three sites and recommends abandoning one site; amending one site; and the making of an Order for the purpose of varying the provisions of current Traffic Orders in respect of waiting restrictions at the other locations.

1 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee notes the objections received during the publication period and approve the making of the Order including the proposed amendments following the statutory consultation.

2 BACKGROUND

There are a number of parking restrictions proposals covered by variations Traffic Orders which have previously been agreed by Committee through previous reports as set out at the end of this report.

Reference is made to Article 14 of the minute of meeting of the Infrastructure Services Committee held on 20 August 2013 when the Committee agreed to defer consideration of the proposed Order in respect of St James Road/East Sunnyside Forfar and Castle Street/Seagate/Shore Wynd Montrose to a subsequent meeting of the Committee pending further information including the views of all local members.

Reference is made to Article 21 of the minute of meeting of the Infrastructure Services Committee held on 28 May 2013 and Article 16 of the minute of meeting of the Infrastructure Services Committee held on 20 August 2013 and Articles 3 & 10 of the minute of meeting of the Infrastructure Services Committee held on 19 November 2013 and Article 18 of the minute of meeting of the Communities Committee held on 21 January 2014 and Article 10 of the minute of meeting of the Communities Committee held on 27 May 2014 authorising and instructing the preparation of an Order to vary the provisions of Traffic Orders relating to waiting restrictions in Arbroath, Carnoustie, Forfar, Kirriemuir, Monifieth and Montrose.

With the exception of the above sites, Committee has previously agreed the promotion of the remaining Traffic Orders and this report sets out the outcome of the statutory consultations. The details of the objections are put before Committee for their determination in accordance with Standing Orders.

Details of all of the locations are shown on the attached **List of Proposals** in **Appendix 1** with those which are the subject of objections shown in bold type.

3 CONSULTATION AND PUBLICATION

The Notice of Proposals was published in the Courier and Advertiser on 30 May 2014. In addition Public Notices were erected in all of the affected streets.

In response to the publication of the proposals, 3 letters of objection to the proposals were received. With regard to those proposals where objections were received, the schedule

annexed to this report details the proposed restrictions with reference to plans, brief details of the objectors, the grounds for their concerns and the view of the Head of Technical & Property Services. Copies of correspondence in connection with objections are attached to the report for consideration in **Appendix 2**.

As a result the proposals at Lochty Street Carnoustie are recommended to be cancelled; and the proposals at Beechwood Place Kirriemuir are recommended to be shortened; the proposals at Rosemount Road Arbroath are recommended as previously agreed by Committee as per **Appendix 3**.

All other proposed change, to which there were no objections during the consultation process are recommended as previously agreed by Committee.

Plans of all of the finalised proposals are given in **Appendix 4**.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost of implementing the Traffic Order proposals is £4000 which will be met from the 2015/2016 Communities Roads Division (Traffic) Revenue Budget. Additional maintenance costs will amount to £700 per annum and this will require to be provided for in future years Roads Maintenance Revenue Budgets.

The estimated costs of amending the boundary wall at Lochty Street Carnoustie is £2,500 which will be met from the 2015/2016 Communities Roads Division (Traffic) Revenue Budget. There are no on going future costs.

5 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive, Strategic Director - Resources, the Head of Corporate Improvements & Finance, Head of Legal and Democratic Services and the Local Police Commander of Tayside Division were consulted in the preparation of this report.

Ian Cochrane, Head of Technical and Property Services Email: <u>CommunitiesBusinessSupport@angus.gov.uk</u>

Appendix 1 - List of Proposals

Appendix 2 – Objectors' correspondence

Appendix 3 - Schedule

Appendix 4 – Plans of Proposals

NOTE:

The following background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing this Report:-

Infrastructure Services Committee	28 May 2013	Report No. 325/13
Infrastructure Services Committee	20 August 2013	Report No. 457/13
Infrastructure Services Committee	20 August 2013	Report No. 459/13
Infrastructure Services Committee	19 November 2013	Report No. 620/13
Infrastructure Services Committee	19 November 2013	Report No. 621/13
Communities Committee	21 January 2014	Report No. 36/14
Communities Committee	27 May 2014	Report No. 245/14

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LIST OF PROPOSALS

- To introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions in order to improve visibility and prevent obstruction at the following junctions:-Clova Avenue/Glenisla Drive, Hamilton Street/Glenisla Drive, Elmfield Avenue/Elmbank Crescent and Ness Drive/Ness Drive (Northwest Leg), all Arbroath; Arbroath Road/Panbride Street, Carnoustie; Orchard Loan/Berrymoss Lane, Forfar; Brent Avenue/Brent Avenue (North Leg),Castle Street/Shore Wynd/Seagate and Nursery Road /Nursery Crescent, all Montrose.
- To introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions in order to relieve general congestion and maintain free traffic flow in the following roads:-Charles Avenue, Clova Avenue, East Kirkton Road, Elmfield Avenue, Elmbank Crescent, Glenisla Drive, Horologe Hill and Viewfield Road, all Arbroath; Caesar Avenue, Carnoustie; Orchard Loan and Calder Place, both Forfar and Brent Avenue, Montrose.
 Rosemount Road Arbroath; Beechwood Place, Kirriemuir
- To introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions in order to protect access to premises in in the following roads:-Viewfield Road, Arbroath, Anderson Street Carnoustie and Berrymoss Lane, Forfar.
 Lochty Street Carnoustie
- To introduce 'No Daytime Waiting' restrictions in order to relieve general congestion and maintain free traffic flow in in the following roads:-Caesar Avenue, Carnoustie and Wemyss Crescent, Monifieth
- Replace existing 'Limited Waiting' restrictions with 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions in order to prevent obstruction at the junction of High Street/John Street, Montrose.

Our Ref GH/DAM/FJ TO2.2 (CC67924)

Rosemount Road Property Owners

3 September 2014

c/o Trevor Forge

10 Rosemount Road



COMMUNITIES Strategic Director; Alan McKeown

Dear Sir

ARBROATH DD11 2AU

The Angus Council (Variation of Waiting Restrictions) Order 201x

I refer to your letter dated 23 August 2014 regarding the above.

The main reason for proposing the removal of kerbside parking opposite your properties is to reduce the potential for congestion and to maintain free traffic flow on this road.

The low level of recorded accident history at the nearby crossroads at Nolt Loan Road/Alexandra Place/Addison Place/Rosemount Road shows the junction to perform safely. The improvement in traffic flow as a result of the proposed waiting restrictions on the main road is not anticipated to have a significant affect on the performance of this junction, but this will be monitored.

I am advised that the proposed relocation of the Community Nursing Service from Rosemount Road to Bruce House is due to take place in October 2014 which would remove a significant number of parked vehicles from this vicinity. In the event that the proposed waiting restrictions are approved then the lines would not be marked on the ground prior to the relocation of the Community Nursing Service staff and associated vehicles.

The relocation of the Community Nursing Service staff and associated vehicles may result in a change to the parking patterns in Rosemount Road and other surrounding streets. It may be that at that time no parking will occur opposite your properties on Rosemount Road however the introduction of the waiting restrictions will ensure that this does not occur and thereby maintain free traffic flow.

Traffic speeds on Rosemount Road can be monitored after the introduction of the proposed waiting restrictions. There are no current proposals to introduce speed reducing measures.

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Sent:	06 November 2014 18:01
To:	MunroDA
Subject:	RE: FW CC67589: Letter-Variation of Waiting Restrictions-Lochty St, Carnoustie

Dear Sir

As detailed in my prior letter of objection and I do appreciate your clarification of the procedural responsibilities of the various parties involved .

I have referred all matters and copy correspondence as detailed previously to the local elected representative and am awaiting their input which I would hope to have soon .

I can confirm that my objection to the proposal remains in place

Regards

Jim Stewart

From: MunroDA@angus.gov.uk

To:

Subject: RE: FW CC67589: Letter-Variation of Waiting Restrictions-Lochty St, Carnoustie Date: Wed, 5 Nov 2014 11:00:05 +0000

Dear Sir

I refer to previous emails regarding the above.

As you will recall I advised you previously that due to objections to items within the Order then the decision as to whether these items proceed or not is now a matter for the Communities Committee to determine.

Due to delays in relation to various matters pertaining to the overall Order it is now anticipated that a report will not now go to the Communities Committee until 20 January 2015 for determination.

Notwithstanding the above, for clarification, the Head of Technical & Property Services remains of the opinion that waiting restrictions are required in Lochty Street in order to assist traffic exiting the Access Office car park and turning right

as required by the current one-way traffic restriction. The proposed waiting restrictions have been amended from the original proposal of 5 metre extension of double yellow lines (No Waiting at Any Time) restrictions to the current

5 metres length of single yellow line (No Waiting, Mon - Sat, 8.30am - 5.30pm).

On the above basis can you please confirm that your objection to the current revised proposals are not withdrawn.

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Yours

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Our Ref GH/DAM/CT TO2.2

1 July 2014

James Stewart



COMMUNITIES Strategic Director: Alcin McKeown

Dear Mr Stewart

The Angus Council (Variation Of Waiking Restrictions) Order 201x -Lochiy Street Carnoustie.

f refer to your email to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services dated 19 June 2014 in respect of the above.

As you will be aware the section of Lochty Street between High Street and Philip Street has recently been made one-way northwards.

Staff at Carnoustie Access office raised concerns about vehicles parking close, to the car park access on Lochty Street, sometimes overhanging the existing double yellow lines, and therefore creating difficulties for drivers exiting the car park and turning right as they must now do due to the one -way restriction. This involves drivers either taking several 'cuts' in Lochty Street to make the manoeuvre or mounting the narrow footway opposite the access neither of which is appropriate from a road safety viewpoint.

In order to alleviate that problem it is proposed to extend the current double yellow line waiting restrictions by approx. 5 metres which will result in the loss of <u>one</u> of the kerbside parking places opposite your property. I appreciate that there is limited kerbside parking for residents in the area however my first concern in this instance must be to maintain safe access and egress for premises.

In view of the above I would be obliged if you would advise me if you are willing to withdraw your objection to the proposal. In the event that you do not withdraw your objection then a decision on the matter will be made at a meeting of the Communities Committee to be held on 19 August 2014. A report including the nature of your concerns will be considered by elected Members who will also have access to copies of correspondence between you and Angus Council in advance of the meeting.

I trust the above is of assistance however if you have any queries please contact Daniel Munro on 01307 473395.

Yours sincerely

Graham Harris Traffic Manager

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18 September 2014

Angus

COMMUNITIES Strategic Director: Alan McKeown

Resident 112 Glamis Road KIRRIEMUIR Angus DD8 5DF

Dear Sir/Madam

Beechwood Place, Kirriemuir - Waiting Restrictions

I refer to previous correspondence and to your discussions on site with Mr Hill and Mr Robinson yesterday (Wednesday 17 September 2014) regarding the above.

At the site meeting it was considered that the length of the proposed double yellow lines where it extends into the cul-de-sac could be reduced from 5m to 2m. This proposal would be sufficient to improve the sightlines for traffic emerging from the cul-de-sac whilst minimising the loss of on street parking adjacent to your property.

If you are agreeable to the above revised arrangement, I would ask you to formally withdraw your objection by giving your agreement below.

Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Yours faithfully

lain Cochrane Head of Technical and Property Services

I agree to the amended waiting restriction proposal above and withdraw my objection to the Angus Council (Variation of Waiting Restrictions) Order 2014.

Signed.

Date 18 9 2014

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SCHEDULE

A) ROSEMOUNT ROAD ARBROATH

Proposals

The introduction of additional 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions on the east side of Rosemount Road to infill between the current restrictions westwards from its junction with Alexandra Place and eastwards from the access to the new car park opposite Arbroath Infirmary, as shown detailed on Appendix 4.

The request to consider the introduction of waiting restrictions was raised by local elected members following the completion of the new car park and associated waiting restrictions in the vicinity of the car park entrance on Rosemount Road. Discussions were held between Roads Division officers and local elected members and a site visit was held following which, in consultation with Police Scotland, the current proposals were deemed appropriate in order to relieve congestion and maintain free traffic flow.

Objections

A letter of objection was received from a group of residents under the banner of 'Rosemount Road Property Owners'. The main concerns of these residents related to safety, reduction in parking for residents and inconsiderate parking by non-residents. They also suggested that formal traffic calming measures be considered for this section of road and the introduction of on street 'residents only' parking spaces.

The objectors are concerned that the removal of the parking on the east side of the street will lead to increased traffic speeds on Rosemount Road and will reduce the level of kerbside parking available for local residents whose properties are mainly terraced houses with little scope for providing off street parking within their garden ground. This it is claimed is exacerbated by the inconsiderate parking of vehicles associated with nearby Arbroath Infirmary as well as Community Nursing staff vehicles throughout the day.

Response

The Head of Technical & Property Services response was that the removal of the kerbside parking on the east side of the street may result in an increase in traffic speeds however the congestion created at times by the kerbside parking is also of concern on this important route leading to Arbroath Infirmary, Angus College, etc.

The proposed restrictions would result in the loss of approx. 10 kerbside parking spaces and these can be accommodated overnight in the nearby car park. With regards to the inconsiderate parking associated with the Community Nursing Service it should be noted that, from information provided by the Community Care Service, this would represent approx 10 - 20 vehicles at peak times. This number would comprise both Council vehicles and workers private cars however it is intended that this service is to move site from Rosemount Road to Bruce House in. This will clearly significantly reduce the parking demand and the impact on residents parking in Rosemount Road once this move has taken place.

The introduction of traffic calming measures is generally assessed taking into consideration many factors not just traffic speeds. The type of vehicles which use this road such as ambulances and buses is likely to make it unsuitable for physical traffic calming measures such as road humps.

The provision of on street 'residents only' parking places would involve the Council in significant costs in setting up and managing such a scheme. These costs would require to be passed on to the relatively small number of residents who may be unwilling to meet these costs. Further, such schemes are only successful if the appropriate level of enforcement can be provided to meet the residents' expectations and presently Police Scotland are unlikely to provide such enforcement. As such generally Angus Council does not support the promotion or introduction of such facilities.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the proposals are approved as currently drafted.

B) LOCHTY STREET CARNOUSTIE

Proposals

The introduction of a short extension of the existing 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions on the east side of Lochty Street northwards from High Street, as shown detailed on Appendix 4.

Following a request from local elected members a Traffic Regulation Order making that section of Lochty Street between High Street and Philip Street subject to one - way traffic, northwards, that is from High Street towards Philip Street was made and implemented. Staff from the local ACCESS Office indicated that as a result of this one - way traffic restriction and the relatively narrow carriageway of Lochty Street users of the car park at the rear of the property are encountering difficulties in turning right out of the access due to vehicles parked close to the access. This it is claimed is, at times, resulting in some drivers intentionally turning left towards High Street against the current one-way traffic restriction.

Objections

One objection to the proposals was submitted by the owner of rental properties opposite the Access office car park in Lochty Street. The nature of the objection is that kerbside parking in this area close to the town centre is at a premium and he considers that the loss of further spaces would disbenefit his tenants and that alternative options should have been considered.

The objector suggests that the removal of a section of the boundary wall of the Access Office car park to widen the access on the south side would improve the situation for traffic turning right out of the car park and would not require the proposed additional waiting restrictions.

Response

Following discussions between officers and local elected members it has been agreed, in an effort to assist local residents, that these proposals should not precede at this time with the council making adjustments to the entrance of the council office. This will also enable the office car park to be used out with office hours by the public.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the proposals are abandoned.

C) BEECHWOOD PLACE KIRRIEMUIR

Proposals

The introduction of 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions around the radius of the junction of the main carriageway of Beechwood Place with the cul-de-sac at the rear of the properties at 106/112 Glamis Road.

The request to introduce waiting restrictions at this location was raised by a resident of Beechwood Place in respect of inconsiderate kerbside parking in the vicinity of the junction. This parking is restricting vehicular access and egress at the junction as well as restricting visibility sightlines for drivers emerging onto Beechwood Place which has resulted in a minor accident involving the complainant.

Objections

One letter of objection was received from a resident in Glamis Road whose property has a rear door on the cul-de-sac off of Beechwood Place. The objector indicates that there are double yellow line restrictions at the front of her house on Glamis Road and as such she generally parks at the rear of her property near to the junction with Beechwood Place. Her husband has health problems and therefore needs to be able to park her vehicle close to her property.

Response

The Head of Technical and Property Services appreciates that the proposed 'No Waiting at Any Time' may cause some inconvenience for residents but his main concern must be for pedestrian and vehicle safety and free traffic flow. The proposed restrictions are intended to prevent parking directly at the junction thereby improving vehicular access and egress as well as protecting visibility sightlines for drivers emerging from the cul-de-sac onto Beechwood Place. Further as these restrictions will extend across the existing pedestrian dropped kerbs on each side of the junction this will prevent their obstruction which would seriously inconvenience pedestrians, people in wheelchairs or with visual impairment and people with prams.

Vehicles are permitted to wait on double yellow lines in order to enable a person to alight or board a vehicle or to load/unload personal luggage. This would allow the objector to park on the double yellow lines for so long as is required to assist her husband between the vehicle and the property but would then require to relocate the vehicle off of the double yellow lines. Alternatively if the objectors husband health issues are appropriate he may wish to apply for a Disabled 'Blue Badge' which when displayed would allow the parking of a vehicle on a single or double yellow line without time limit provided it is not causing a hazard or an obstruction to free traffic flow.

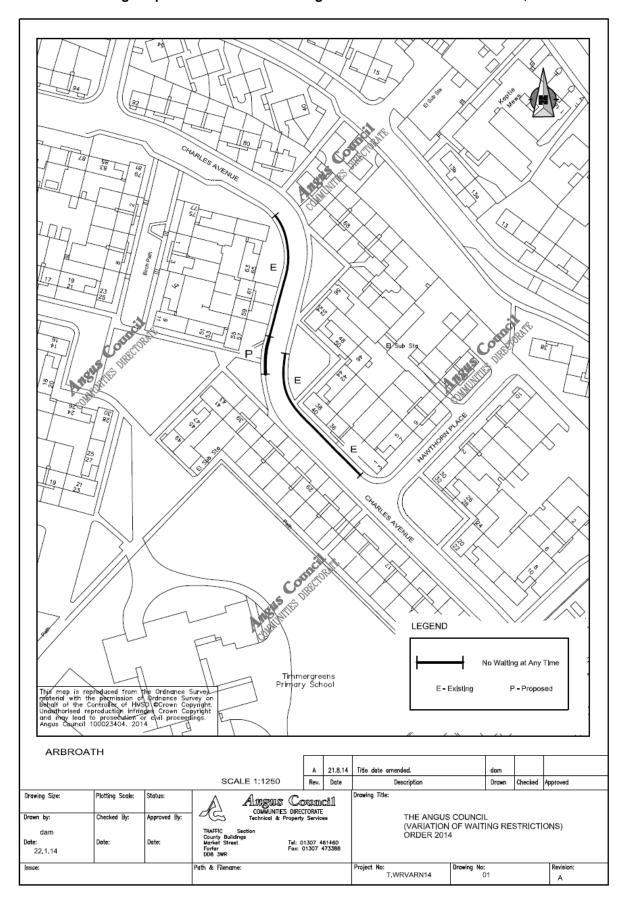
As a compromise the Head of Technical & Property Services has agreed to reduce the length of the proposed double yellow line being returned into the cul-de-sac from 5 metres to 2 metres which would still protect the pedestrian dropped kerbs but maximise the potential for parking in the cul-de-sac.

The objector has indicated that this compromise is acceptable and has formally withdrawn their objection on that basis.

The original and revised proposals are as shown detailed on Appendix 4

Recommendation

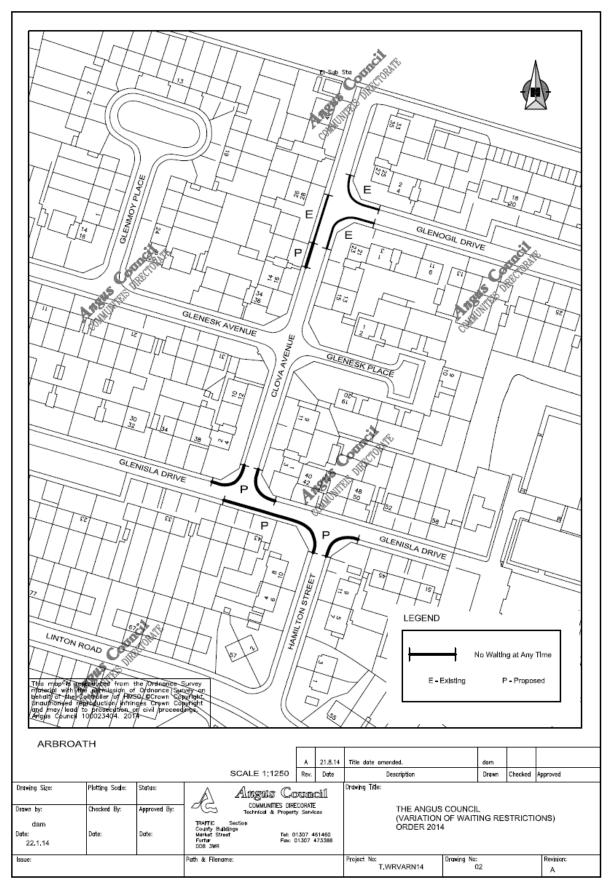
It is recommended that the proposals are approved as amended.



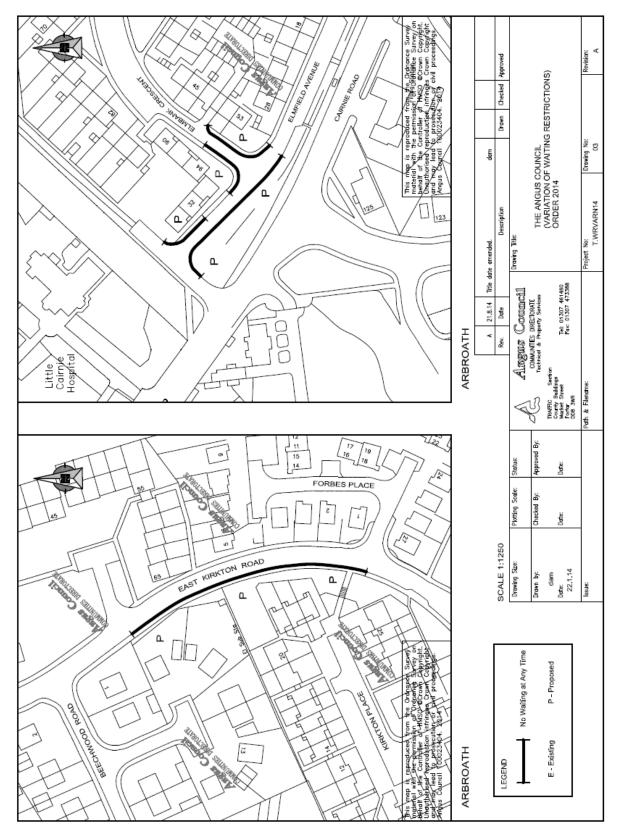
Plan showing Proposed Variation of Waiting Restrictions at Charles Avenue, Arbroath

Appendix 4

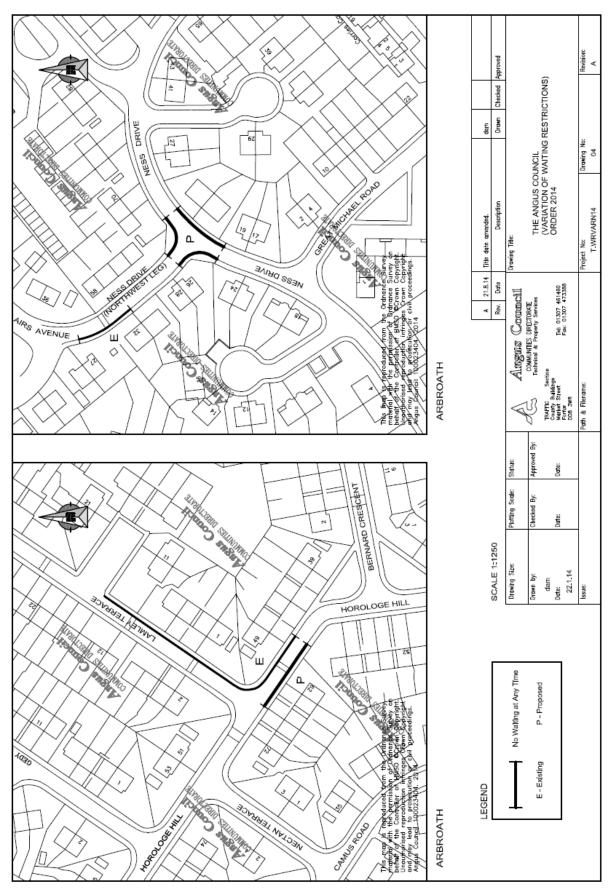
Plan showing Proposed Variation of Waiting Restrictions at Glenisla Drive, Hamilton Street and Clova Avenue, Arbroath



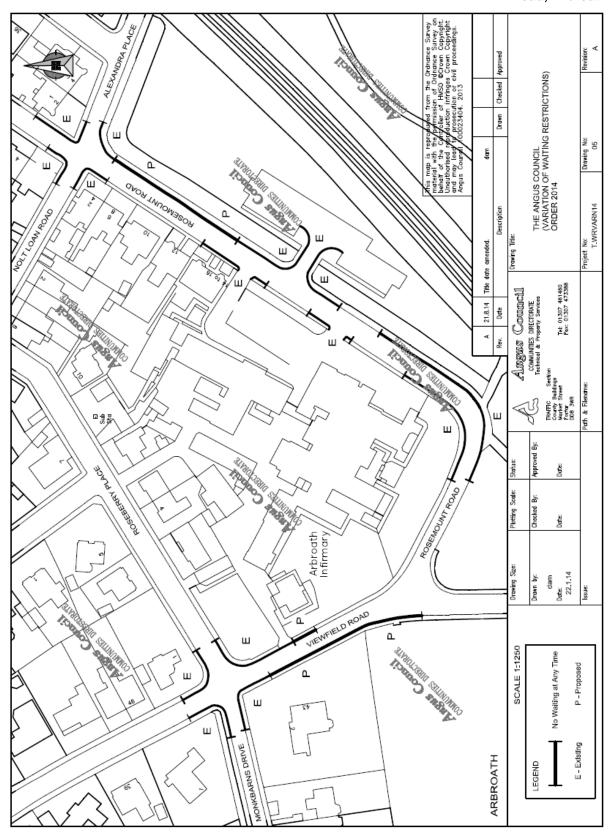
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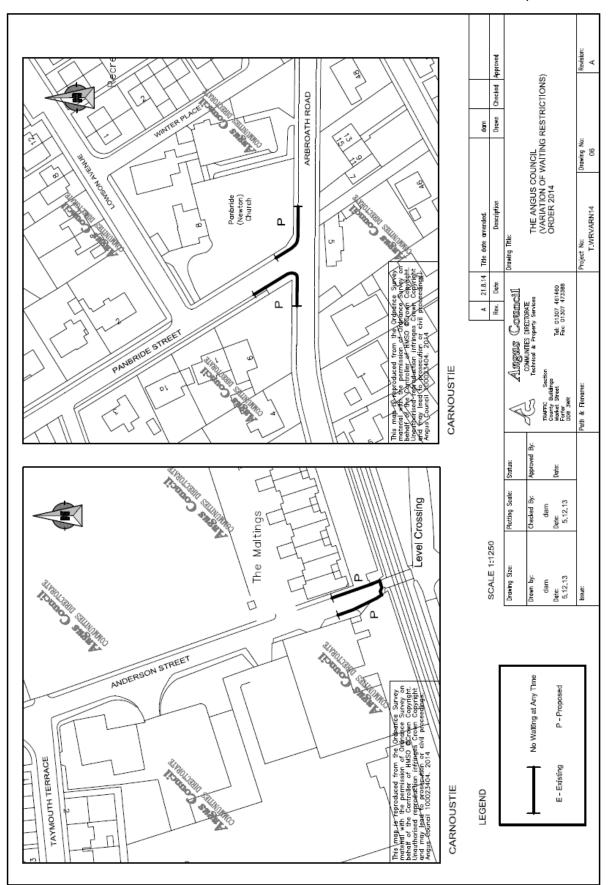


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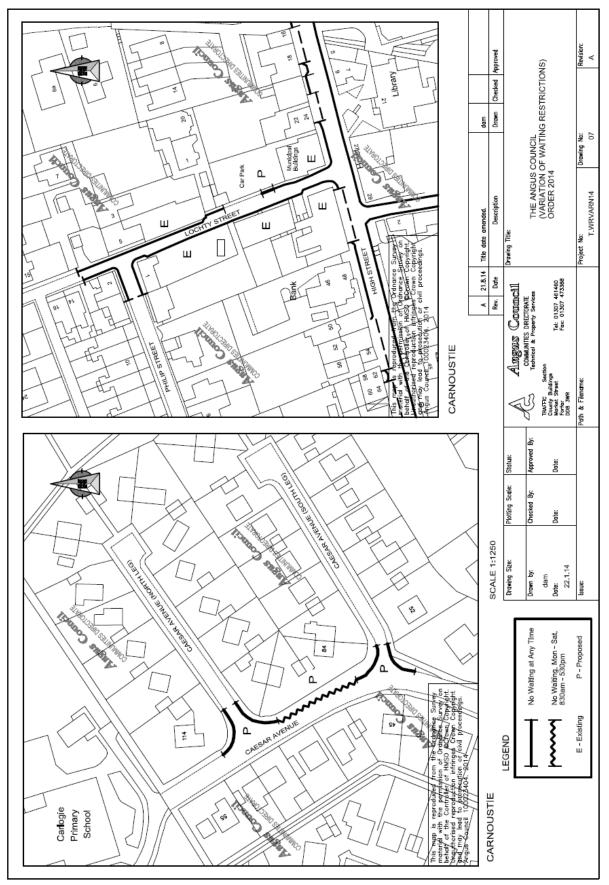
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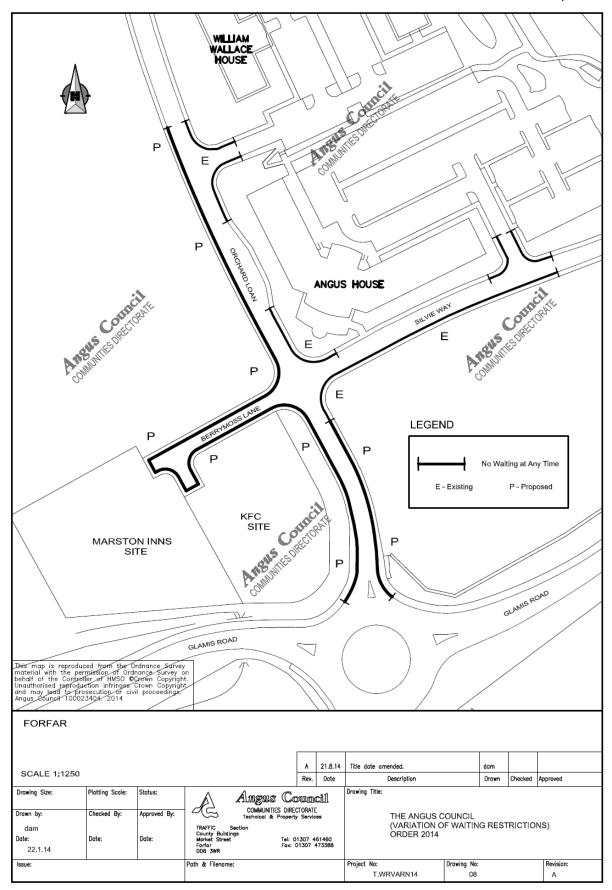


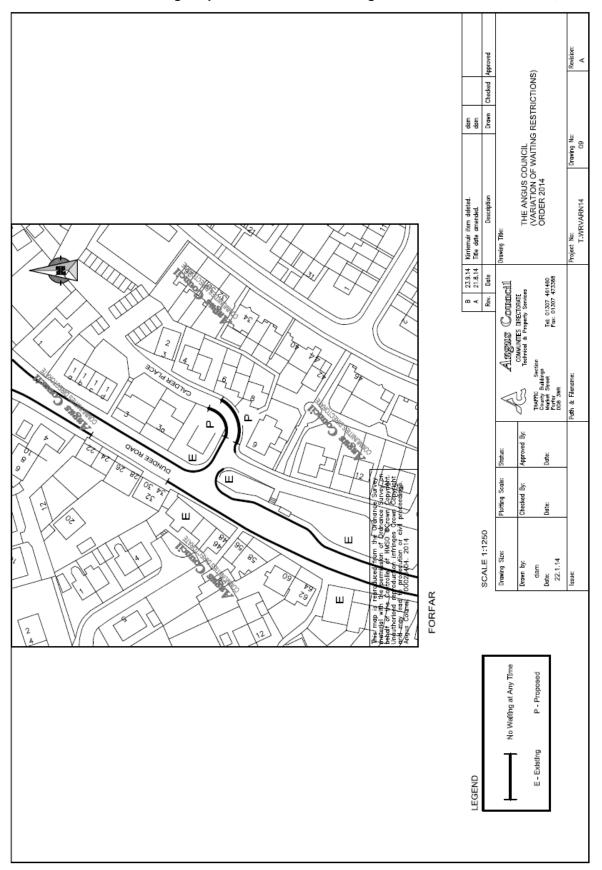
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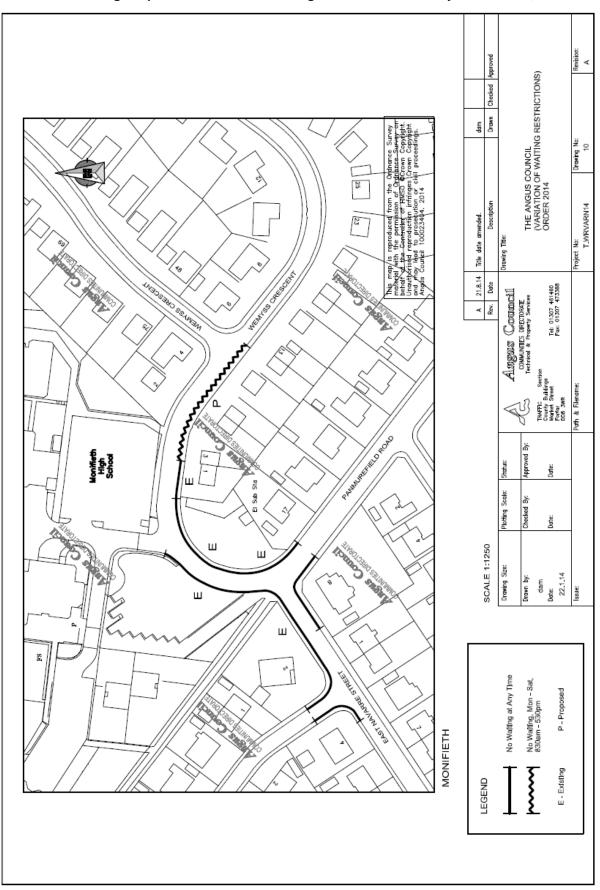
Plan showing Proposed Variation of Waiting Restrictions at Caesar Avenue and Lochty Street, Carnoustie



Plan showing Proposed Variation of Waiting Restrictions at Berrymoss Lane and Orchard Loan, Forfar

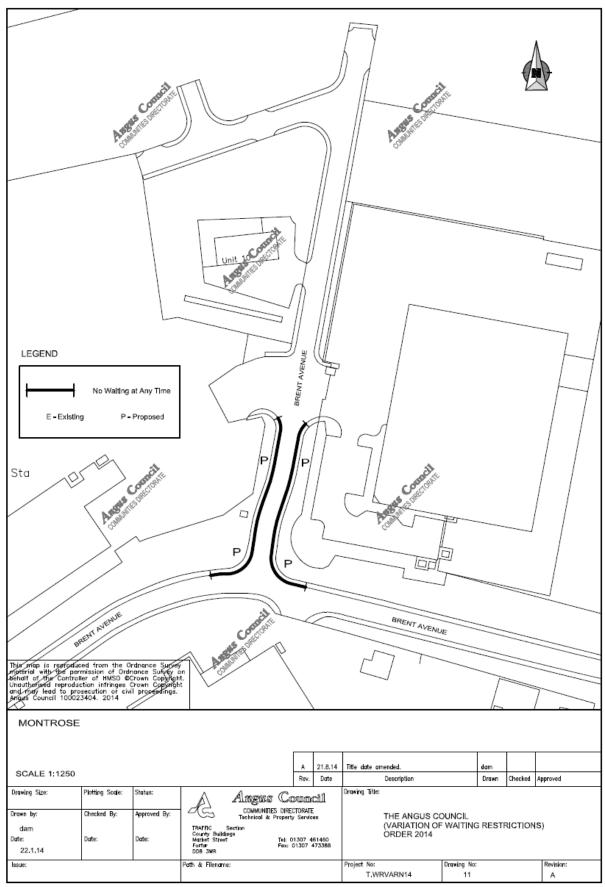




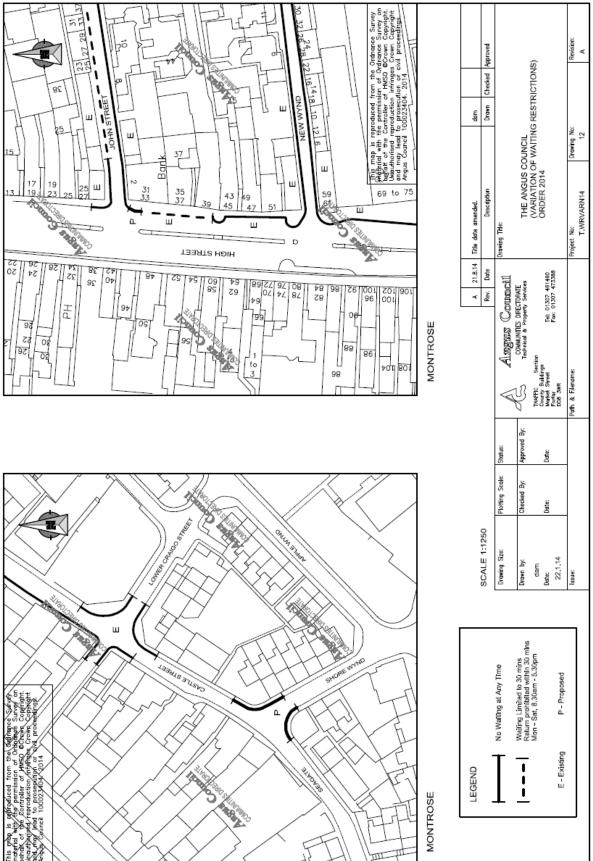


Plan showing Proposed Variation of Waiting Restrictions at Wemyss Crescent, Monifieth

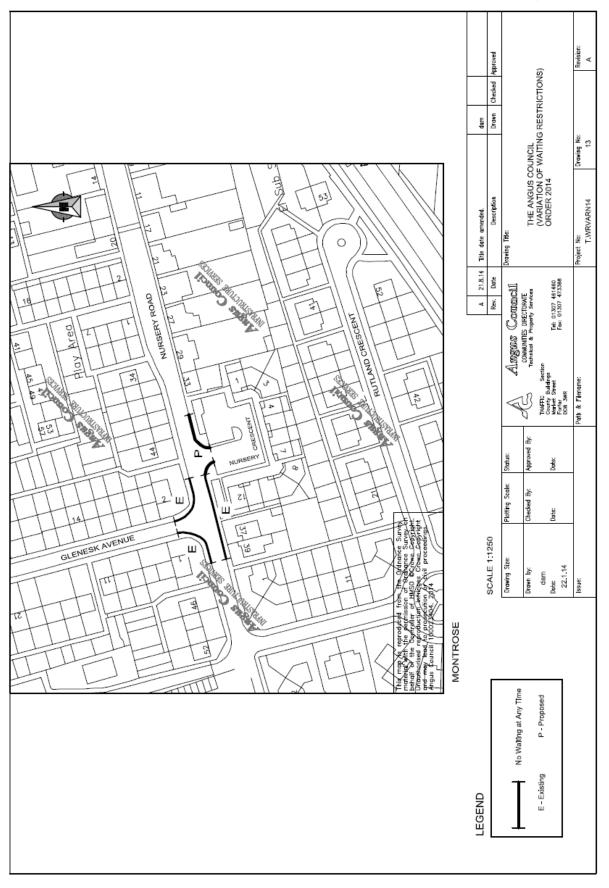
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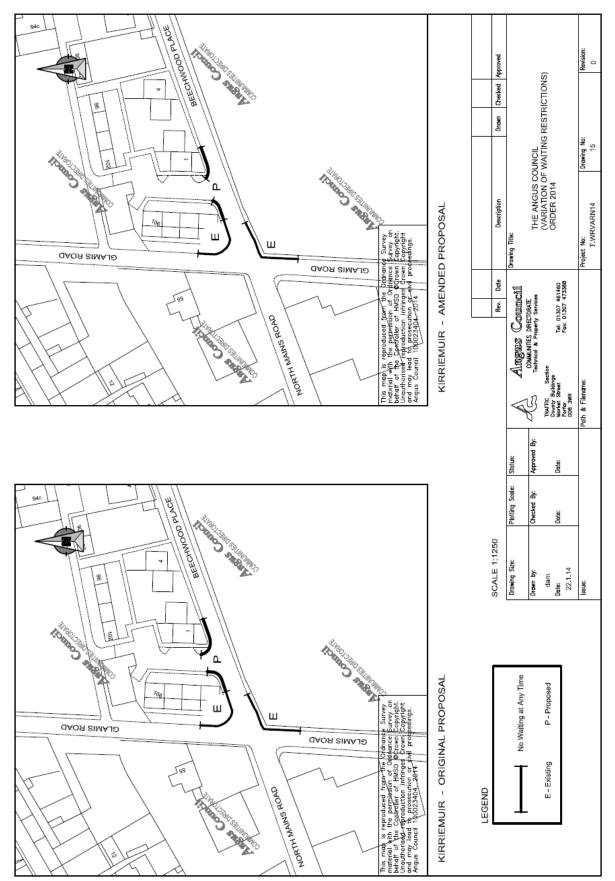


Plan showing Proposed Variation of Waiting Restrictions at Seagate, Shore Wynd, Castle Street and High Street, Montrose



Plan showing Proposed Variation of Waiting Restrictions at Nursery Road and Nursery Crescent, Montrose





Plan showing Proposed Variation of Waiting Restrictions at Beechwood Place, Kirriemuir