#### **ANGUS COUNCIL**

## **COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 17 NOVEMBER 2015**

## **VARIATION OF WAITING RESTRICTIONS**

#### REPORT BY HEAD OF TECHNICAL & PROPERTY SERVICES

#### **ABSTRACT**

This report describes proposed amendments to current waiting restrictions to take account of changing circumstances at the various locations listed.

#### 1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee agrees to the promotion of Traffic Regulation Variation Orders to effect changes to current waiting restrictions in Arbroath, Brechin, Carnoustie and Montrose as set out in this report.

# 2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN/SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT/CORPORATE PLAN

This report contributes to the following local outcome contained within the Angus Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement 2013-2016:

• Our communities are safe, secure and vibrant.

# 3 INTRODUCTION

Locations where new and alterations to existing waiting restrictions are considered to be appropriate are listed below giving brief reasons and the proposed alterations.

# 4 PROPOSALS

## 4.1 **KEPTIE STREET ARBROATH**

- 4.1.1 Kerbside parking on both sides of Keptie Street near its junction with Helen Street would cause difficulties for large vehicles to pass at this bend in the road.
- 4.1.2 It is proposed therefore to extend slightly a section of 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on the east side of Keptie Street in order to facilitate the free movement of buses, etc along this route.
- 4.1.3 A plan indicating the current proposal is shown in **Appendix 1** to this report.

# 4.2 KEPTIE ROAD ARBROATH.

4.2.1 A local resident at Kaims Croft has raised concerns relating to kerbside parking on the north side of Keptie Road near its junction with Kaims Croft which is restricting visibility for drivers emerging from Kaims Croft on to Keptie Road. Further, the extent of the current kerbside parking on both sides of Keptie Road can at times cause difficulties for large vehicles travelling along Keptie Road.

- 4.2.2 Roads officers have visited the site and it is clear that at times there is a high demand for kerbside parking in this area arising mainly from the nearby Angus College campus. It is accepted that at peak times kerbside parking does restrict two-way traffic and therefore may cause slight delays for larger vehicles along Keptie Road, when faced with opposing traffic. However, it is not considered that these delays are significant and the 'give and take' nature of the traffic flow has a traffic calming affect at this location where there are significant pedestrian movements between College campus buildings.
- 4.2.3 Any extensive restriction of parking in Keptie Road would lead to displacement of vehicles into nearby side roads many of which are already heavily parked by residents, etc. Nevertheless, in terms of the visibility sightline issue, the residents' concerns can be appreciated particularly if a larger vehicle such as van. is parked at the end of the existing restrictions and as such it is considered that a short extension of the 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on the north side of Keptie Road just east of its junction with Kaims Croft would be appropriate.
- 4.2.4 A plan indicating the proposal is shown in **Appendix 1** to this briefing note.

#### 4.3 RIVER STREET BRECHIN

- 4.3.1 As part of the Brechin Flood Prevention scheme there are proposals to construct a new concrete flood wall adjacent to the River Southesk on River Street.
- 4.3.2 As a result of these works the level of the existing south footway of River Street will require to be raised and the erection of a pedestrian barrier adjacent to the carriageway of River Street will be necessary in the interest of pedestrian safety.
- 4.3.3 The raised road kerb and pedestrian barrier on the south side of River Street will not permit kerbside vehicle parking adjacent thereto and the introduction of 'No Waiting at Any Time restrictions along the affected length of road are considered necessary.
- 4.3.4 A plan indicating current proposal is shown in **Appendix 2** to this report.

# 4.4 GLENESK AVENUE/GLENPROSEN STREET MONTROSE

- 4.4.1 A service request has been received and subsequently discussed with the local elected members in relation to inappropriate kerbside parking causing congestion and restricting visibility sightlines for vehicles emerging onto Glenesk Avenue from Glenprosen Street.
- 4.4.2 In order to improve the situation, it is considered that the introduction of additional 'no waiting at any time' at the junction is appropriate.
- 4.4.3 A plan indicating the current proposal is shown in **Appendix 3** to this report.

## 4.5 WILLIAM STREET FERRYDEN MONTROSE

- 4.5.1 Ferryden Community Council has raised its concerns regarding kerbside parking in the vicinity of the road bend between William Street and King Street.
- 4.5.2 The carriageway is narrow at this point and the road alignment restricts forward visibility for drivers. Kerbside parking therefore causes congestion and restricts the free flow of traffic along the street.
- 4.5.3 The introduction of a short extension of 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on the north side of the street is considered appropriate to alleviate this problem.
- 4.5.4 A plan indicating the current proposal is shown in **Appendix 3** to this report.

#### 4.6 LINKS PARADE CARNOUSTIE.

- 4.6.1 At the Carnoustie Charrette, held in March 2015, it was requested that the removal of the existing coach only parking on Links Parade be considered. It was indicated that coach parking in Links Parade is now relatively rare and a dedicated area for coach parking was therefore no longer necessary. The removal of the current restrictions would allow the affected area to be used for additional general parking to serve the town centre, seafront and other leisure facilities in this vicinity.
- 4.6.2 The proposal is to remove all of the current 'No Waiting at Any Time except coaches' restrictions on the north side of Links Parade just west of Station Road. This is supported by the local elected members.
- 4.6.3 A plan indicating the current proposal is shown in **Appendix 4** to this report.

#### 5. RISKS

This report does not require any specific risk issues to be addressed.

#### 6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost of implementing the proposals is £1,000 which will be met from the 2015/2016 Roads Revenue Budget. Additional maintenance costs will amount to £60 per annum and this will require to be met from future years' Revenue Budgets.

#### 7. 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.

## 8. CONCLUSION

In the interest of pedestrian and traffic safety and free traffic flow and in order to maintain access to premises alterations to waiting restrictions are considered appropriate. The variation of existing Traffic Regulation Orders to implement these alterations is therefore proposed for promotion.

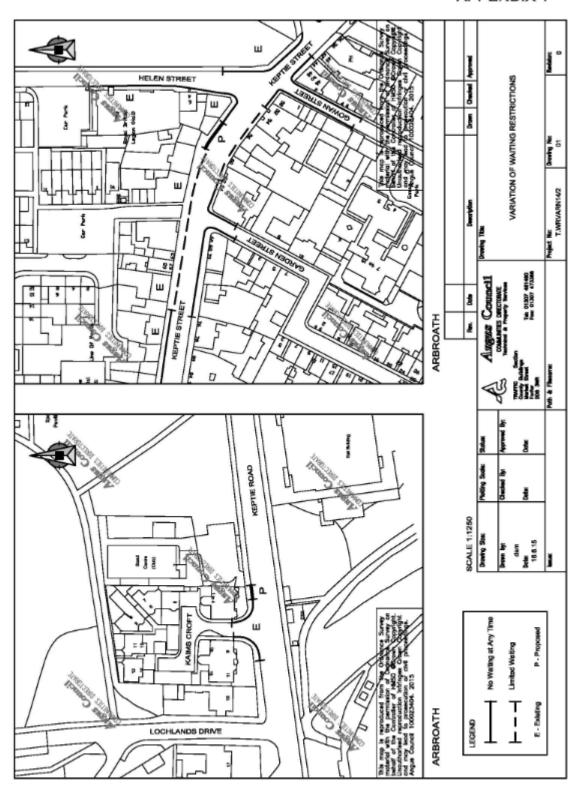
## NOTE:

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:-

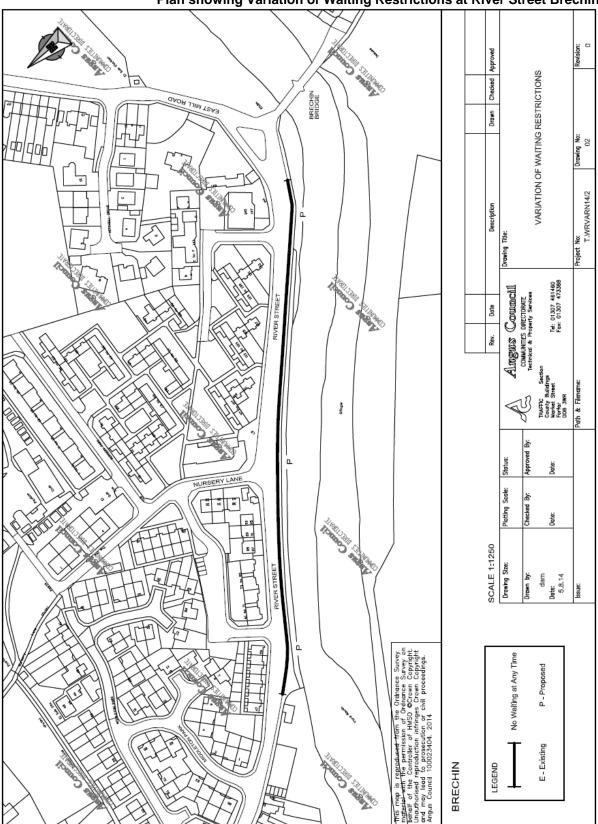
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# APPENDIX 1



Appendix 2
Plan showing Variation of Waiting Restrictions at River Street Brechin



Appendix 3
Plan showing Variation of Waiting Restrictions at Glenesk Avenue/Glenprosen Street and
William Street Ferryden Montrose

