

**ANGUS COUNCIL**

**COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 29 MAY 2018**

**VARIATION OF SPEED LIMITS AT KIRRIEMUIR ROAD FORFAR**

**REPORT BY HEAD OF INFRASTRUCTURE**

**ABSTRACT**

This report relates to the proposed alterations to the current speed limit on a section of Kirriemuir Road, Forfar.

**1. RECOMMENDATION**

- (i) It is recommended that the committee agree to the promotion and making of a Speed Limits order to effect changes to the current speed limit on a section of Kirriemuir Road, Forfar.

**2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN/CORPORATE PLAN**

- 2.1 This proposal contributes to the following local outcomes contained within the Angus Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and Locality Plans:

**PLACE**

- Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities.
- An enhanced, protected and enjoyed natural and built environment.

**3. CURRENT POSITION**

- 3.1 Planning permission has been granted by the Development Standards Committee for the erection of approx. 240 houses on an area of land at Turfbeg, Forfar bounded on its north side by Kirriemuir Road (A926).
- 3.2 The approved development includes the formation of two new junctions and new bus stops on Kirriemuir Road. It is therefore anticipated that with the completion of the development there will be an increased level of vehicular and pedestrian traffic on Kirriemuir Road.
- 3.3 The approved planning submission included the introduction of a reduced speed limit from 60mph to 40mph on Kirriemuir Road adjacent to the development site.
- 3.4 This speed reduction proposal was recently considered by Angus Traffic Coordinating Group which agreed that the speed reduction on Kirriemuir Road is appropriate in the interest of pedestrian and traffic safety and free traffic flow.

**4. PROPOSALS**

- 4.1 The approved speed reduction scheme comprises of extending the existing 40mph speed limit on Kirriemuir Road westwards for approximately 525 metres.
- 4.2 In order to implement the above changes to the speed limit on Kirriemuir Road then the promotion and making of a speed limits Order is necessary.
- 4.3 A plan indicating the extents of the existing and proposed speed restrictions are shown in **Appendix 1** to this report.

**5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 There are no financial implications arising for the council as a result of the recommendation contained in this report as the costs of signing, etc. associated with these proposals will be

met by Guild Homes (Tayside) Ltd. as developer of the housing site. There are no additional maintenance costs arising from the proposals.

## **6. CONSULTATION**

- 6.1 The Chief Executive, Strategic Director - Place, the Head of Finance and Legal and the Local Police commander of Tayside Division were consulted in the preparation of this report.

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### **NOTE:**

No 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.

List of Appendices:      Appendix 1 – Variation of Speed Limit at Kirriemuir Road Forfar