#### **ANGUS COUNCIL**

#### **COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 28 MAY 2019**

### HAYSWELL ROAD, ARBROATH - PROPOSED ONE-WAY TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND TRAFFIC CALMING: RESPONSE TO PUBLIC CONSULTATION

#### REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE

#### **ABSTRACT**

This report presents the results of the public consultation process regarding the proposed introduction of a one-way traffic management system with the option for additional physical traffic calming measures on Hayswell Road, Arbroath.

#### 1. RECOMMENDATION(S)

It is recommended that the Committee:

- notes the comments received during the consultation process regarding the proposed one-way traffic management system and optional additional physical traffic calming measures on Hayswell Road, Arbroath;
- (ii) notes the range of opinions expressed by those who have responded to the consultation;
- (iii) determines if the one-way traffic management system on Hayswell Road, Arbroath should be installed; and
- (iv) if the Committee determines that the one-way traffic management system should be installed, to approve the promotion of the necessary Traffic Regulation Order and, if there are no objections, the making of the Order.

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

2.1 This report 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. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Report No. 8/19 considered by the Communities Committee on 15 January 2019, detailed the format and timescale for public consultation regarding the possible installation of a one-way traffic management system with the additional option of installing traffic calming measures on Hayswell Road, Arbroath. The location of the proposed one-way traffic management system (Appendix 1) and traffic calming measures (Appendix 2) are presented on plans appended to this report.
- 3.2 The consultation documents (**Appendix 3**) associated with these proposals were issued on Monday 4 February 2019 to approximately 40 residential addresses within the surrounding area (**Appendix 4**). Consultation documents were also sent to all affected groups listed in the proposed list of consultees (**Appendix 5**) and were made available at Arbroath Access office for the general public who may wish to comment on the proposals. The consultation questionnaire was also available for completion online via the Council's website.

#### 4. CURRENT POSITION

- 4.1 23 completed responses were received from households within the consultation catchment area by the closing date of 22 February 2019 (57.5% return), which is considered relatively high. Of these responses, 23 (100%) were in favour of the installation of a one-way traffic management system on Hayswell Road, with 16 (70%) in favour of the installation of additional traffic calming measures and 7 (30%) indicating that they were not in favour of installing additional traffic calming measures. The comments provided through the returned questionnaires (Appendix 6) are presented on a list appended to this report.
- 4.2 No completed responses were received from either the affected groups listed in the proposed list of consultees or from the general public.

#### 5. PROPOSAL

- 5.1 Overall 100% of the responses received from the households within the public consultation catchment area agreed with the proposal to install a one-way traffic management system on Hayswell Road.
- 5.2 Of these, 70% of the households on Hayswell Road who responded to the public consultation were in favour of the installation of additional traffic calming measures on Hayswell Road.
- 5.3 Members are asked to note the overall positive position from the respondents, recognising the relatively high number of returns, as well as the full range of opinions expressed, and determine if the one-way traffic management system should be installed.
- 5.4 Acknowledging that the introduction of a one-way system can lead to increased speeds, should the Committee determine to proceed with the installation of a one-way traffic management system, members are further asked whether the additional traffic calming measures should also be installed.
- 5.5 The proposed use of speed cushions are not considered to introduce physical restrictions to parking. The introduction of the one-way system may increase slightly the available road space for parking as the previous need for parked cars to allow passing places would no longer be required.
- 5.6 Should the Committee determine to proceed with the installation of a one-way traffic management system with or without the additional traffic calming measures on Hayswell Road, it is proposed that the installation will be undertaken within this financial year 2019/20.

#### 6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The installation of the one-way traffic management system on Hayswell Road, Arbroath is estimated to cost approximately £7,000 and the installation costs of the additional traffic calming measures are estimated to cost approximately £10,000 which can be funded from the Road Safety/Traffic Calming provision within the 2019/20 Roads (Traffic) Capital Budget.

#### 7. CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Legal & Democratic Services and the Local Police Commander of Tayside Division were consulted in the preparation of this report.

**NOTE:** The background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) which were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report are:

Report No. 8/19: Hayswell Road, Arbroath: One-Way Traffic Management System and Traffic Calming, Communities Committee 15 January 2019

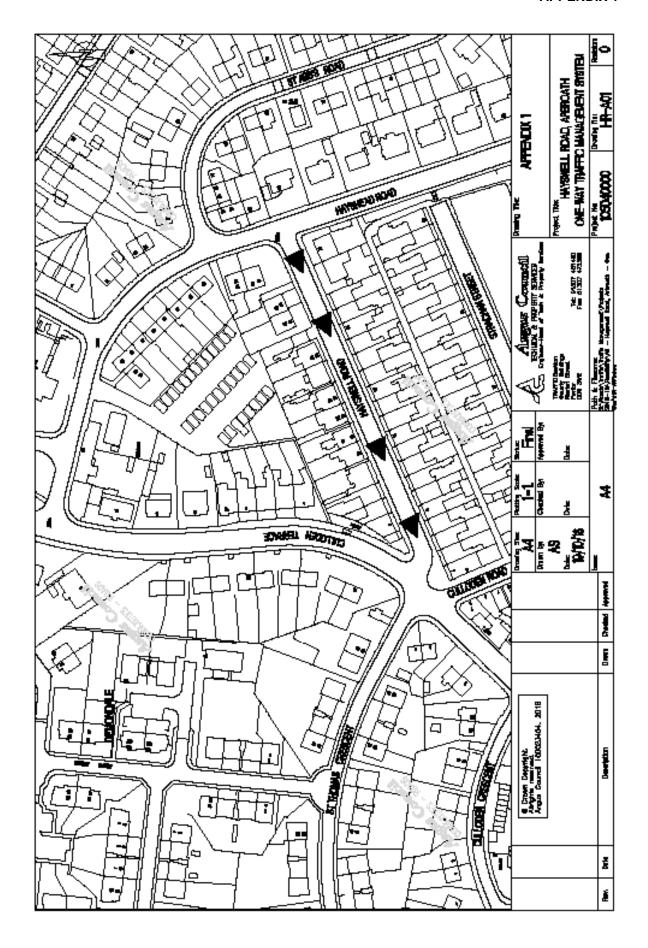
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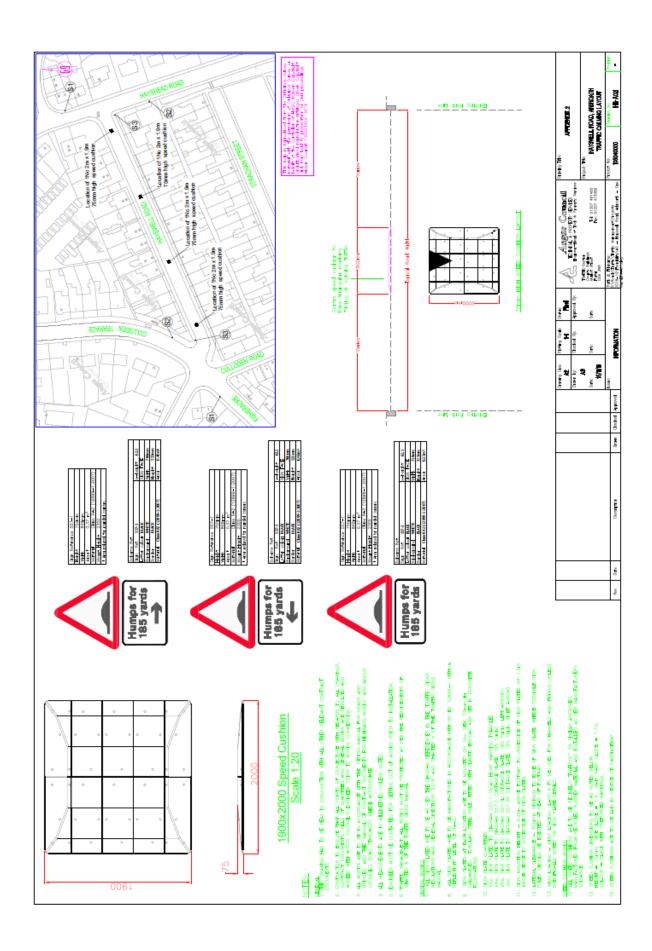
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List of Appendices:

Appendix 1 - One-Way Traffic Management System Plan
Appendix 2 - Traffic Calming Layout Plan
Appendix 3 - Public Consultation Questionnaire
Appendix 4 - Public Consultation Catchment Area Plan
Appendix 5 - List of Consultees
Appendix 6 - Public Consultation Comments

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#### **PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

#### Hayswell Road, Arbroath - Proposed One-Way Traffic Management System

Local residents in Arbroath have contacted their Local Members in relation to the speed of vehicles travelling along Hayswell Road and the traffic conflict and congestion caused by the volume of onstreet parking on this road.

A detailed investigation was subsequently undertaken and the preferred option is to introduce a one-way traffic management system in a westerly direction from Hayshead Road to the A92 Montrose Road (Fisheracre/Culloden Terrace) over the entire length of Hayswell Road and to install 4 (75mm high) speed cushions. It is envisaged that the proposed one-way traffic management system and speed cushions will reduce the speed of traffic on Hayswell Road and ease vehicle conflict and congestion.

Report No. 8/19 submitted to Angus Council's Communities Committee on 15 January 2019 by the Head of Infrastructure details the concerns raised and the results of the detailed investigation. The Committee noted the concerns raised by the local residents and agreed to the undertaking of a public consultation on proposals to introduce a one-way traffic management system on Hayswell Road with the option of introducing additional physical traffic calming measures.

Your opinion is now being sought on whether or not you are in agreement with the introduction of a one-way traffic management system on Hayswell Road, Arbroath and if in agreement your opinion on the option for the introduction of additional physical traffic calming measures.

Whatever your opinion, Angus Council would be obliged if you would take the time to look at the attached option plans, respond to the question below and return it to the Council by **Friday 22**<sup>nd</sup> **February 2019** so that your views can be taken into consideration.

Traffic & Transport Manager or Arbroath ACCESS Office or www.angus.gov.uk/hys

Please complete the questionnaire and return it to:

Angus House Orchardbank Business Park FORFAR DD8 1AN	Old Parish Church Kirk Square ARBROATH DD11 1DX	
Question: Do you agree with the Road, Arbroath:	e installation of a one-way traff	ic management system on Hayswell
Yes with the option of physical trace. Yes but without the option of phy No I do not agree with the one-w	sical traffic calming measures	
Comments:		
Name: Name of Business (if applicable):		

Address:	
Do you use t	he area as a:
Pedestrian	
Driver	
Both	

### PUBLIC CONSULTATION – HAYSWELL ROAD, ARBROATH – ONE-WAY TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

#### LIST OF CONSULTEES

#### **Arbroath West & Letham Local Ward Members:**

David Fairweather Alex King David Lumgair Richard Moore

#### **Arbroath East & Lunan Local Ward Members:**

Brenda Durno Lois Speed Derek Wann

**Royal Burgh of Arbroath Community Council:** 

**Traffic & Transport Manager** 

Service Leader – Planning & Communities

Service Leader – Housing

**Local Divisional Police Commander for Tayside** 

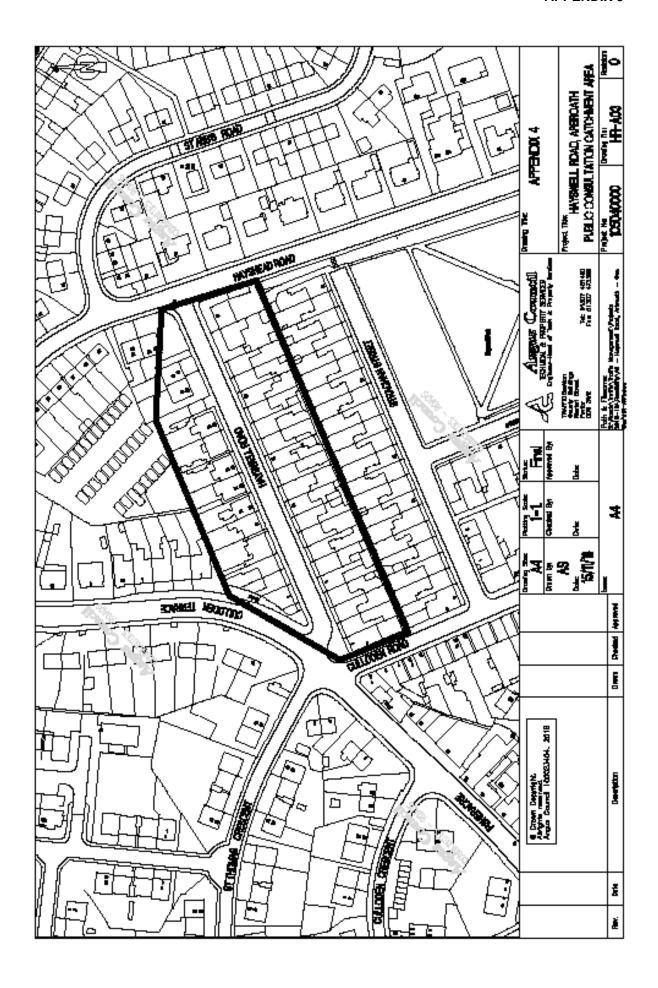
Scottish Fire & Rescue Service Area Manager

**Scottish Ambulance Service Regional Officer** 

**Angus Access Panel** 

**North East Sensory Services** 

The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association



## HAYSWELL ROAD, ARBROATH: PROPOSED ONE-WAY TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

#### COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION

### COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS IN AGREEMENT WITH THE INSTALLTION OF THE ONE-WAY TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

- 1. We as residents of Hayswell Road agree wholeheartedly with the introduction of traffic calming measures and a one way system. Speed of traffic is a major concern to us and feel it is only time before a major accident occurs. It is hazardous trying to get in and out of our car on the street side with children/pets and ourselves due to the volume and speed of traffic on the street. Everything from delivery vans to HGV's squeeze up our narrow street (with cars parked both sides) directed by their sat navs. Several wing mirrors have been knocked off stationary cars due to traffic squeezing past. Waiting to turn into Hayswell Road at the junction on Culloden Terrace can be a nightmare too with traffic squeezing past the side of the car, not long ago a van actually had to mount the pavement to avoid smashing into our car as we were waiting at the junction! This would have been a catastrophe had there been pedestrians on the pavement at the time. Proposed one-way system is long overdue.
- 2. I highly agree on the installation of a one-way traffic management system. Yes with the physical traffic calming measures I do feel it should be higher than 75mm high as I feel it's not high enough to reduce the speed some of the cars go down and there are many children in the street.
- 3. In my opinion, it would be pointless having one-way traffic without calming measures to keep speed down.
- 4. This proposal is a must for the street as there is a continual stand-off with cars being stuck with nowhere to go as both sides of the road are full with parked cars and there is no option but for 1 car to reverse back for a considerable distance causing chaos.
- 5. This street should have a vehicle weight restriction due to property damage!
- 6. I feel very strongly that this road should be one way if not closed completely at the bottom. My car door has been taken off and my dog nearly knocked down by speeding traffic.
- 7. It would be madness to introduce a one way system without the addition of calming measures as this would then introduce a speeding problem.
- 8. I think this is an excellent proposal. Currently, the street is unsafe due to heavy traffic in both directions. There are frequent altercations between drivers vying for right of way; I take my children's lives in my hands trying to get them in and out their car seats.
- 9. I agree with the installation of a one-way traffic management system on Hayshead Road. However none of the above options apply. I would prefer to see the direction of the one way traffic to be the opposite direction. The direction of your preferred option won't help. There is more traffic going down Hayswell Road than up it. This will only get worse once the main gate of the school opens on Hayshead Road in 2020. I would suggest the one way system to be from Fisheracre to Hayshead Road. This would cut down traffic more than half. I have been a resident in the street for the last 26 years. The traffic has doubled in the last few years. This has had a detrimental effect on the ability to sell houses on the street. Specifically because of the cars, lorries and HGV's coming down the street thinking Hayswell Road as a short cut to Fisheracre. Blocking off the bottom of the street at Fisheracre would be another option. People would start to use the filter on Montrose Road into Hayshead Road. Why not make Hayswell Road into a cul de sac? Problem solved! Thank you. I would like to hear your views on this.
- 10. An improvement, but a better option may be to make the street a cul-de-sac and close it at the junction with the A92 and create a turning point at the bottom of the street. This will also stop the traffic from five directions and make it only four.

- 11. Should also look at traffic calming measures or a permanent speed camera on Hayshead Road as this is also used as a race track by some vehicles. I live at No.41 Hayswell Road which is at the top with the Hayshead Road junction. As our house is in a position which will be close to traffic signage and a traffic calming measure would it be possible to give a clearer indication as to where things are getting placed please. Reason I ask even with a magnifying glass the text on the previous page is unreadable.
- 12. On your drawing Sign 3 is shown as a "hump" sign this is wrong street would be one way. Where are the one way and no entry signs?

# COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS IN AGREEMENT WITH THE INSTALLTION OF THE ONE-WAY TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM BUT IN DISAGREEMENT WITH THE ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

- 1. It's hard enough getting parked in the street without the speed bumps.
- 2. I think a better option would be to block the bottom end off and make Hayswell Road a cul-desac. I would not like to see speed bumps put in place due to the damage they do to cars, also our street is already congested with parking as it is not only owners/residents of Hayswell Road that park in the street but other residents of Culloden Road & Culloden Terrace that park here. The introduction of 4 speed bumps would make it much harder to park in our street due to the bumps and associated white lines.
- 3. I feel that the physical measures would be unnecessary if it was a one way road as drivers would be less inclined to take the road quickly without the worry of oncoming traffic.
- 4. Very welcome but far too late.