# **AGENDA ITEM NO 11**

# **REPORT NO 148/20**

# ANGUS COUNCIL

# SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE – 26 MAY 2020

# CASTLE STREET & WEST HIGH STREET FORFAR: ON-STREET PARKING

# REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE

#### ABSTRACT

This report informs the Committee of requests received to amend the existing on-street parking facilities on Castle Street and West High Street, Forfar and seeks authority to undertake formal consultation on the proposals.

# 1. **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) notes the request received from a local ward member to investigate the feasibility of increasing the on-street parking facilities on Castle Street, Forfar;
- (ii) notes the request received from a local resident for the provision of an on-street disabled parking bay in the vicinity of the ACCESS Office/library;
- (iii) notes the request received from local businesses for the provision of loading bays on Castle Street;
- (iv) agrees to the Director of Infrastructure undertaking public consultation on the proposals to amend the existing on-street parking facilities on Castle Street and West High Street, Forfar; and
- (v) notes that a further report will be brought forward to this Committee following completion of the proposed consultation.

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

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

#### ECONOMY

• An inclusive and sustainable economy;

#### PEOPLE

• Improved physical, mental and emotional health and well-being;

#### PLACE

• Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities.

# 3. BACKGROUND

A local member from the Forfar and District ward requested that consideration be given to increasing the number of on-street limited waiting parking spaces on Castle Street, Forfar.

A request was also received from a local resident for the provision of an additional on-street disabled parking bay on West High Street, Forfar in the vicinity of the recently relocated ACCESS Office.

The request for an additional disabled parking bay on West High Street was raised for consideration at the June 2018 meeting of the Angus Area Traffic Co-ordination Group. The Group agreed that the provision of a new disabled bay in the vicinity of the library/ACCESS Office was appropriate and that investigations should be undertaken to find a suitable location.

Concerns were also received from local retail business owners regarding the difficulties they experience loading and unloading goods from their premises due to the existing waiting restrictions and the number of vehicles parked outside their stores. The business owners requested that consideration is given to the provision of designated loading bays on Castle Street in the vicinity of their premises.

Roads officers subsequently visited the area to observe the current on-street parking and traffic management arrangements and spoke with several retail businesses regarding the difficulties they experience whilst servicing their premises. A number of options were then considered.

# 4. PROPOSALS

The preferred options are shown in **Appendix 1** and detailed in **Appendix 2**.

It is recommended that a formal consultation should be carried out, on the proposal to alter the existing on-street parking facilities on Castle Street and West High Street, Forfar, involving the consultees listed in **Appendix 3** and as shown in the public consultation location plan (**Appendix 4**). The outcomes of such consultation would be subject to a future report to this Committee.

# 5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

At this stage there are no financial implications other than the costs associated with the consultation which can be contained within the Roads Revenue budget for 2020/21. Any financial implications associated with the proposed measures will be detailed in a future report to this Committee following the consultation exercise.

# 6. CONSULTATION

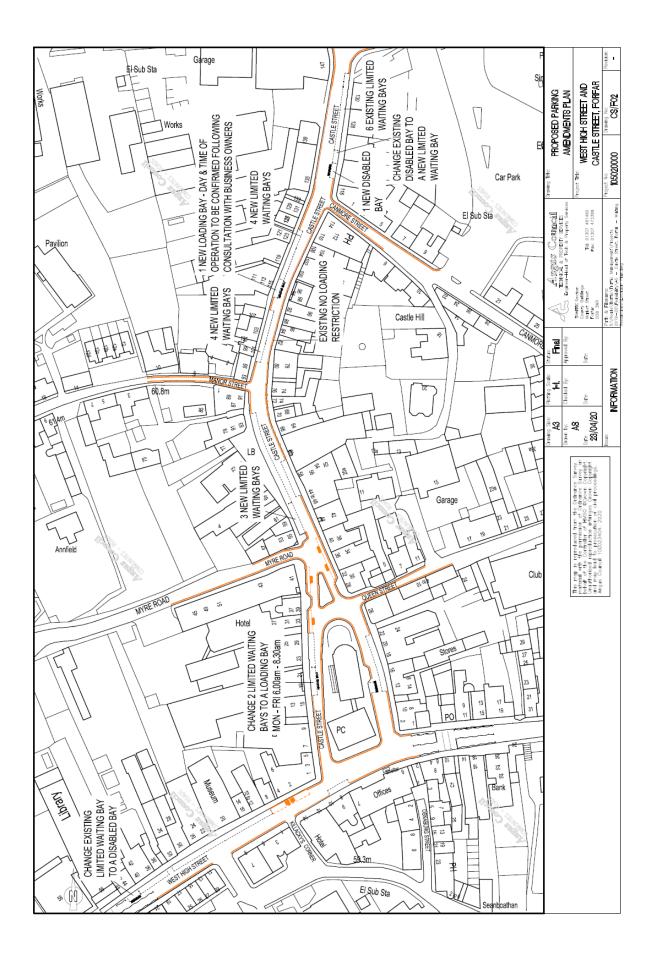
The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Legal & Democratic Services and the Local Police Commander of Tayside Division were consulted in the preparation of this report.

- **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 333/14 Canmore Street/Castle Street, Forfar Traffic Management/Footway Widening
- Report No 52/13 Castle Street, Forfar Consultation Report

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List of Appendices:

- Appendix 1 West High Street & Castle Street Forfar Proposed Parking Amendment Plan
- Appendix 2 West High Street & Castle Street, Forfar proposed On-Street Parking Amendments
- Appendix 3 List of Consultees
- Appendix 4 Public Consultation Catchment Area Location Plan



**APPENDIX 2** 

# WEST HIGH STREET & CASTLE STREET, FORFAR

# **PROPOSED ON-STREET PARKING AMENDMENTS**

# WEST HIGH STREET: BETWEEN CASTLE STREET & NEW ROAD

• On the north kerbline adjacent to the pedestrian crossing & Library/ACCESS Office remove 1 on-street limited waiting parking bay and replace with 1 on-street disabled parking bay

# **CASTLE STREET: BETWEEN MYRE ROAD & WEST HIGH STREET**

• On the west kerbline adjacent to Poundstretchers convert 2 on-street limited waiting parking bays to a loading bay from Monday to Friday between 6.00am to 8.30am (bays will remain as limited waiting bays from 8.30am to 5.30pm)

# **CASTLE STREET: BETWEEN MANOR STREET & MYRE ROAD**

• On the west kerbline adjacent to Dino's extend the on-street limited waiting parking bays southwards by 3 parking spaces

# **CASTLE STREET: BETWEEN CANMORE STREET & MANOR STREET**

- On the west kerbline adjacent to Jeet (formally The Golden Dragon) remove existing double and single yellow lines and replace with 4 on-street limited waiting parking bays
- On west kerbline adjacent to Jeet remove existing double yellow line and replace with a loading bay (day and time of operation of this loading bay will be confirmed following completion of the consultation with business owners)
- On the west kerbline adjacent to Cameron's remove existing double and single yellow lines and replace with 4 on-street limited waiting parking bays

# **CASTLE STREET: BETWEEN VICTORIA STREET & CANMORE STREET**

- On the east kerbline opposite Colin Smiths remove the existing on-street disabled bay and replace with 1 on-street limited waiting parking bay
- On the east kerbline opposite Colin Smiths install 1 new on-street disabled parking bay to the south of the new on-street limited waiting parking bay

#### LIST OF CONSULTEES

Forfar & District Local Ward Members: Colin Brown Braden Davy Lynne Devine Ian McLaren

**Royal Burgh of Forfar Community Council** 

**Traffic & Transport Manager** 

Service Leader – Planning & Communities

Service Leader – Environmental Services

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

Additionally each resident and business premises within the catchment area indicated on the attached plan (Appendix 4) will be provided with an individual copy of the consultation pack.

It is envisaged that the consultation will be included on the Angus Council website and that consultation packs will be made available at the Forfar Access Office for the general public who wish to comment on the proposed option. Completed questionnaires can be completed online, handed into the Forfar Access office or posted to the Traffic & Transport Manager, Angus Council, Angus House, Silvie Way, Orchardbank Business Park, Forfar DD8 1AN.

