

**ANGUS COUNCIL**

**COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 6 JUNE 2017**

**DECRIMINALISED PARKING ENFORCEMENT - TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS**

**REPORT BY HEAD OF TECHNICAL AND PROPERTY SERVICES**

**ABSTRACT**

This report provides an update on the progress of current Traffic Regulation Orders and information on additional Traffic Regulation Orders necessary for the introduction of Decriminalised Parking Enforcement (DPE) in Angus.

**1 RECOMMENDATIONS**

1.1 It is recommended that the Committee:-

(i) notes the making of

- the Angus Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading) (On Street Parking) (Decriminalised Enforcement) Order 2017
- the Angus Council (Disabled Persons Parking Places) (Street Parking Places) (Decriminalised Enforcement) Order 2017, and
- the Angus Council (Off – Street Car Parks) (Decriminalised Enforcement) Order 2017, all as previously published, and

(ii) agrees to the promotion and making of various ancillary DPE Orders relating to Keep Clear Areas (yellow zig zags at schools), taxi stances and electric vehicle charging spaces, all as set out or referred to in this report.

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

2.1 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 BACKGROUND**

3.1 At the Communities Committee on 15 November 2016 (Report No 400/16) the Committee agreed to the making of the Angus Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading) (On Street Parking) Decriminalised Enforcement) Order 2017 and at the Communities Committee on 17 January 2017 (Report No 23/17) the Committee agreed to the making of the Angus Council (Disabled Persons Parking Places) (Street Parking Places) (Decriminalised Enforcement) Order 2017 and the Angus Council (Off - Street Car Parks) Decriminalised Enforcement) Order 2017. The Orders have subsequently been made and became effective as of 3 May 2017.

**4 CURRENT POSITION**

4.1 The Orders as made cover the enforcement of restrictions relating to general on- street parking, on-street disabled persons parking places and council operated off-street car parks. The intended purpose of the Orders was not to change or vary the location or extent of any existing waiting restriction or permitted parking area or to introduce any new or additional parking or waiting restrictions in Angus. It was nevertheless anticipated that additional Orders would be required where necessary either to clarify existing restrictions in the context of DPE, or where new or additional restrictions are proposed.

## 5 PROPOSED VARIATIONS

5.1 A number of such situations have now been identified as follows.

5.1.1 **Keep clear areas (yellow zig zags) at schools** - it was originally understood that with the introduction of *The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016*, the enforcement of these restrictions would no longer require a Traffic Order and consequently these Keep clear areas were not included in the DPE Orders as made. However current advice is that whilst Police enforcement of these restrictions no longer requires a Traffic Order, in order to be enforced under the DPE scheme these should now be included in the DPE Traffic Order.

5.1.2 **Taxi stances** – taxi stance restrictions prohibiting the use of taxi bays by vehicles other than registered taxis restrictions are included in the DPE Order as made. However, it is proposed to show the actual location of the various taxi stances in Angus on the plans attached to the Order for the sake of future clarity and a variation is required to effect this.

5.1.3 **Electric vehicle charging bays in car parks** - there are a number of electric vehicle charging points with associated marked parking bays located at various council car parks in Angus. The number of these charging bays is likely to increase. The Order as made requires to be varied in order to include such electric vehicle charging bays.

## 6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 As the majority of the road markings and signs are currently in place then there are only minor financial implications arising from these proposals which will be contained within the existing Roads revenue budget.

## 7 CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Executive, Strategic Director of Resources, 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.

### 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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