

ITEM No ...5.....

REPORT TO: CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 24 JANUARY 2022
REPORT ON: SCHOOL STREETS – PART TIME PROHIBITION OF DRIVING
REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CITY DEVELOPMENT
REPORT NO: 10-2022

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report provides an update on the proposed School Streets programme and seeks approval to begin a consultation on the introduction of restricting vehicle access during school start and finish times at 5 further primary school locations. This will provide safer routes to schools utilising the powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approves the promotion of a Part Time Prohibition of Driving Order to prohibit vehicles from driving over the lengths of road detailed in Appendix 1 of this report during school start and finish times.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The cost of preparing the Traffic Regulation Orders at the 5 school locations identified in Appendix 1 of this report, along with the associated traffic signs for the project implementation is estimated to be £50,000. The cost will be met from financial provision set aside for this project within the Transport Scotland - Cycling, Walking, and Safer Routes grant fund for 2022/2023.

4 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 With reference to Article VII of the Minute of the Meeting of the City Development Committee of 25 January 2021, Report 30-2021 refers to the School Streets Traffic Management Policy which associates a part-time prohibition of driving around Primary Schools on school days between 8.30am – 9.15am and 3.00pm – 3.30pm. Permission was granted to progress the delivery of the School Streets initiative at the following 5 locations:

- Downfield Primary School;
- St Andrews Primary School;
- Craigiebarns Primary School;
- The North East Campus (St Francis and Longhauigh Primary Schools); and
- The Coldside Campus (Rosebank and Our Lady's Primary Schools).

- 4.2 Drawings detailing the roads promoted for prohibition of driving are available to view via the following web link:

<https://www.dundee.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/schoolstreets.pdf>

- 4.3 The head teachers of the 5 schools identified in Appendix 1 have been notified of the School Street Zone proposal and information of the project provided. Further liaison will be held with the head teachers and School Parent Councils during the Statutory Consultation period should the Committee approve the Order's promotion.

- 4.4 Vehicles belonging to residents of the School Streets will be exempt from the prohibition of driving along with emergency vehicles and contracted taxis for school transport. Residents will be issued with permits for their vehicle that will allow them to drive in the streets at any time. Permits will initially be issued without charge, and this could be reviewed if necessary in the

future. There would be no other exemptions and all other vehicles will be subject to enforcement by Police Scotland. The resident permits can be applied for online or in person.

- 4.5 Due to the one-way roads leading from Ann Street on the periphery of the Coldside Campus School Streets zone, permit eligibility will be extended to residents of Forebank Road, Bonnybank Road, Forebank Street, Forebank Terrace, Powrie Place, Eadies Road and sections of Victoria Road where parking is to the rear of the property.
- 4.6 With the prohibition of driving for all vehicles with the exception of those belonging to local residents and contracted taxis there may be an impact on adjacent streets with likely displacement of vehicles. Visitors and deliveries to properties within the School Streets zones may need to choose an alternative arrival and departure times if arriving by car during the restrictions. The Part Time Prohibition of Driving would be in place Monday to Friday on school days from 8.30am - 9.15am and 3.00pm – 3.30pm. Parked vehicles during these periods will not be affected by the prohibition of driving regulation.
- 4.7 Traffic regulation signage will provide detailed information for the prohibition of vehicles around the schools.
- 4.8 Surveys conducted by teachers at Fintry Primary School in November 2021, following implementation of the initial School Streets pilot project in September 2021, recorded a positive modal shift from children being driven to school to walking or cycling compared to the previous year. The number of children being driven to Fintry Primary School is currently at its lowest level since annual Hands Up Scotland surveys commenced in 2008.

Table 1: Fintry Primary School – Pupil Travel Mode to School

Pupil Survey	Active Travel	Driven
November 2021	71.6%	26.9%
September 2020	66.5%	32.6%

5 FURTHER SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS

- 5.1 Officers have undertaken assessment of the remaining Primary School estate against the policy criteria agreed at the City Development Committee of 25 January 2021 (Report No 30-2021 refers). The following further Primary Schools are assessed as being within scope of the policy criteria:
- Ardler & St Fergus Primary Schools;
 - Barnhill Primary School;
 - Claypotts Castle Primary School;
 - Clepington Primary School;
 - Craigowl Primary School;
 - Eastern Primary School;
 - Mill O Mains Primary School ;
 - St Ninians Primary School; and
 - St Pius Primary School.
- 5.2 The School Parking Pupil Safety and Pupil Safety Working Group which is a member/officer group with teacher and parent representation met on 9 December 2021 and confirmed support for continuation of the programme of School Street interventions at the schools identified above. Further consultation will be held with the head teachers of these schools to identify the zone extents and a report will be presented to a future City Development Committee to provide details of these further schemes and seek approval to commence the preparation of a draft order and statutory consultation.

6 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 This report has been subject of an assessment of any impacts on Equality and Diversity, Fairness and Poverty, Environment and Corporate Risk. A copy of the integrated Impact Assessment is available on the council's website at www.dundee.gov.uk/ia.
- 6.2 Given permits are only issued to local residents and contracted taxis, non-resident blue badge holders and other motorists will not be able to drive in the area during the part time prohibition and may need to consider revising their plans.

7 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 Police Scotland have been consulted on the School Streets Policy approved at the City Development Committee of 25 January 2021 (Report 30-2021) and in the preparation of the Fintry Primary School Streets Zone which formed the initial pilot project incepted on 27 September 2021.
- 7.2 The preparation of the draft orders for the 5 schools identified in Appendix 1 of this report will require a statutory notice advertisement and any objections received to the order will be reported to the City Development Committee to decide whether to proceed with the Order.
- 7.3 The Council Management Team were consulted in the preparation of this report.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 None.

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APPENDIX 1**Extent of Proposed Part-Time Prohibition of Driving Order On School Days
Between 8.30am – 9.15am and 3.00pm – 3.30pm**Coldside Campus (Rosebank and Our Lady's Primary School) - School Street Zone

Ann Street
Annan Terrace
Kidd Street
Whistlers Way
Nelson Street (from Ann Street to South George Street)

Craigiebarns Primary School - School Street Zone

Brington Road
Dalraig Crescent
Scotston Gardens
Craigiebarns Road
Gardyne Place
Brington Place (northern section)

St Andrews Primary School - School Street Zone

St Leonard Terrace
St Leonard Way
St Leonard Place (between the St Leonard & St Fergus Church car park entrance and Cox Street)
St Leonard Road (between St Mary's Road and St Leonard Place)
St Mary's Road (between Macalpine Road and St Leonard Road)

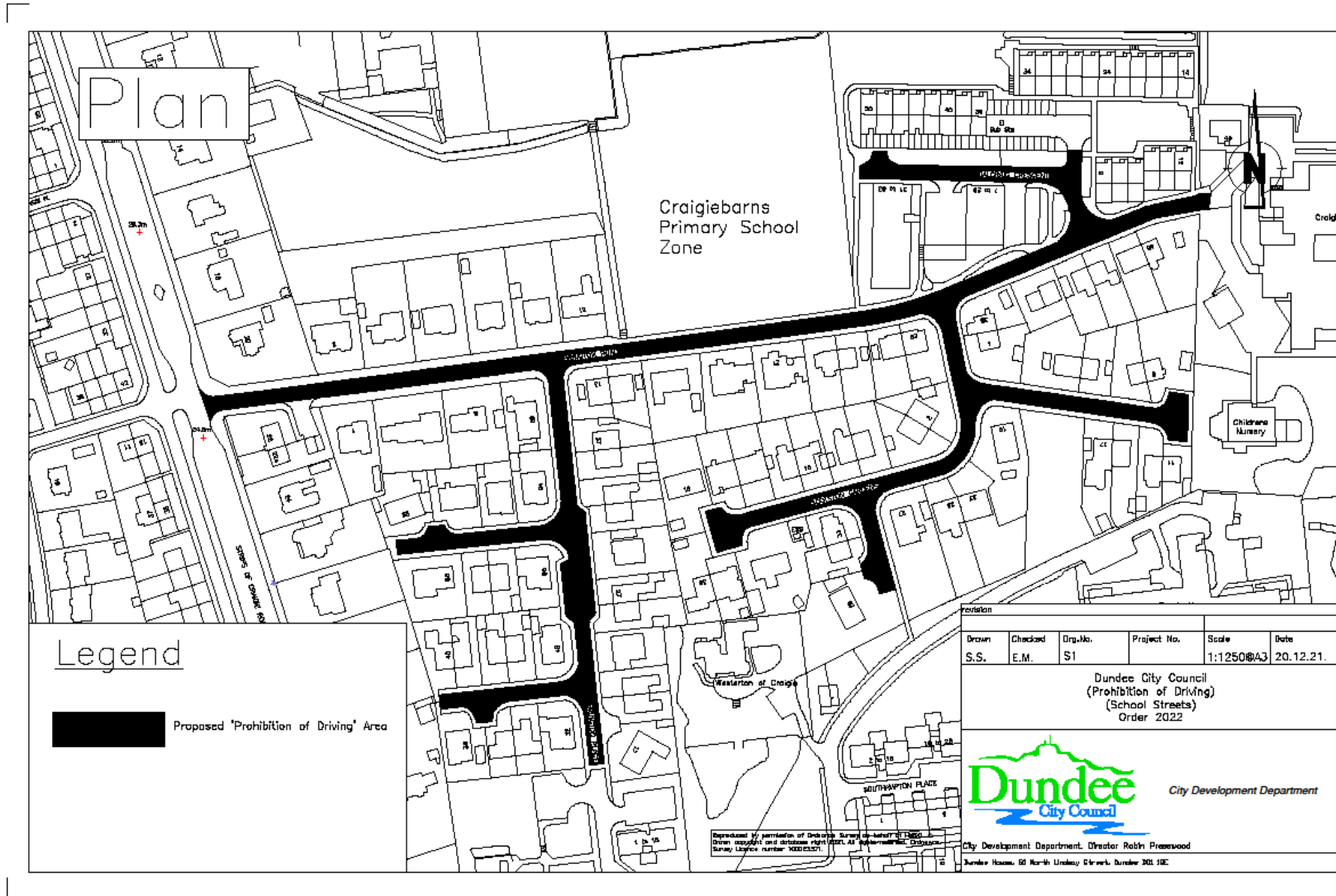
Downfield Primary School - School Street Zone

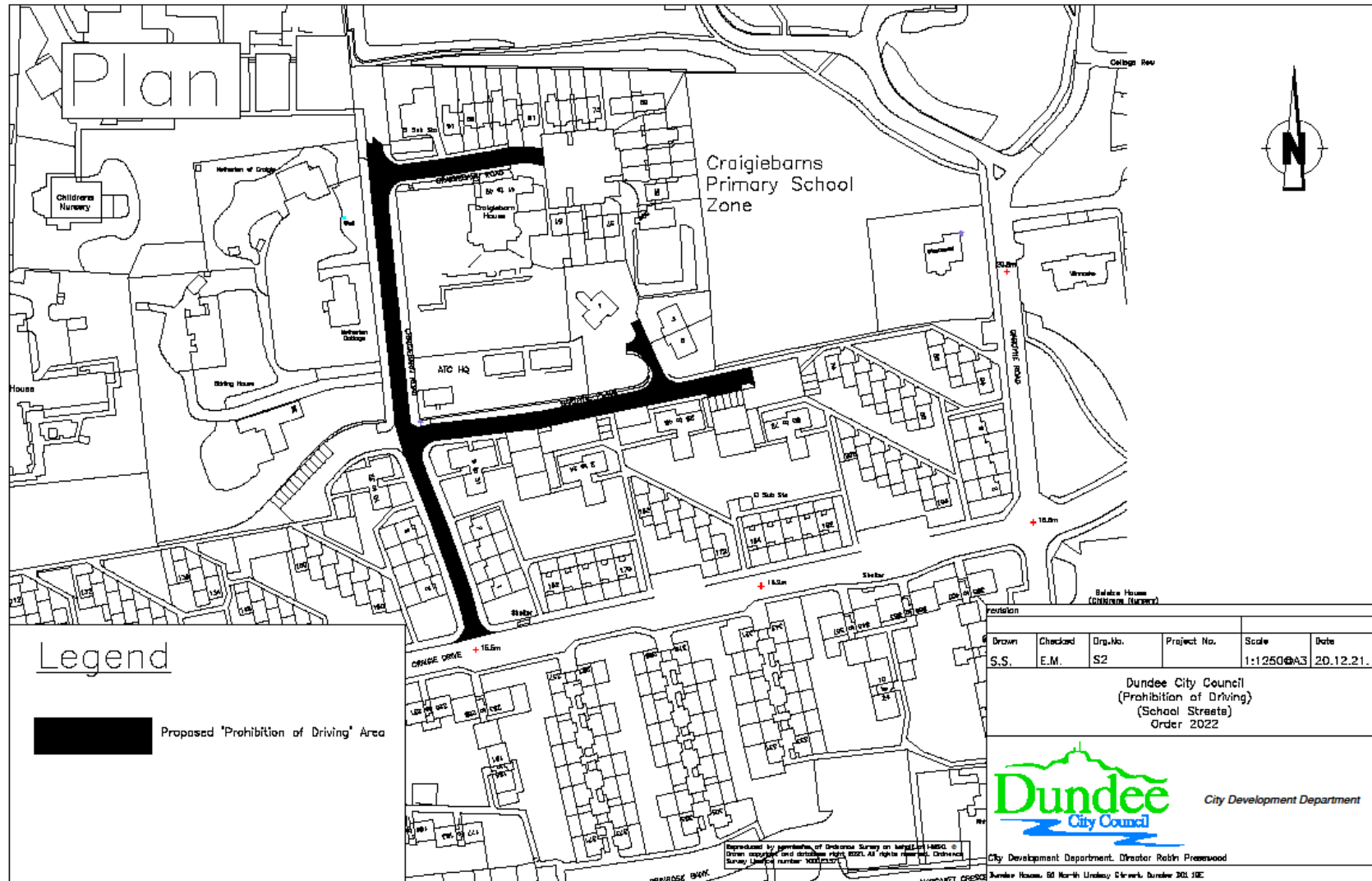
Haldane Street
Haldane Crescent
Haldane Place
Haldane Terrace (southern section)

North East Campus (Longhaugh and St Francis Primary Schools) - School Street Zone


Lothian Crescent (between Salton Crescent and the shops north of Whitfield Drive)

APPENDIX 2





Legend

 Proposed 'Prohibition of Driving' Area

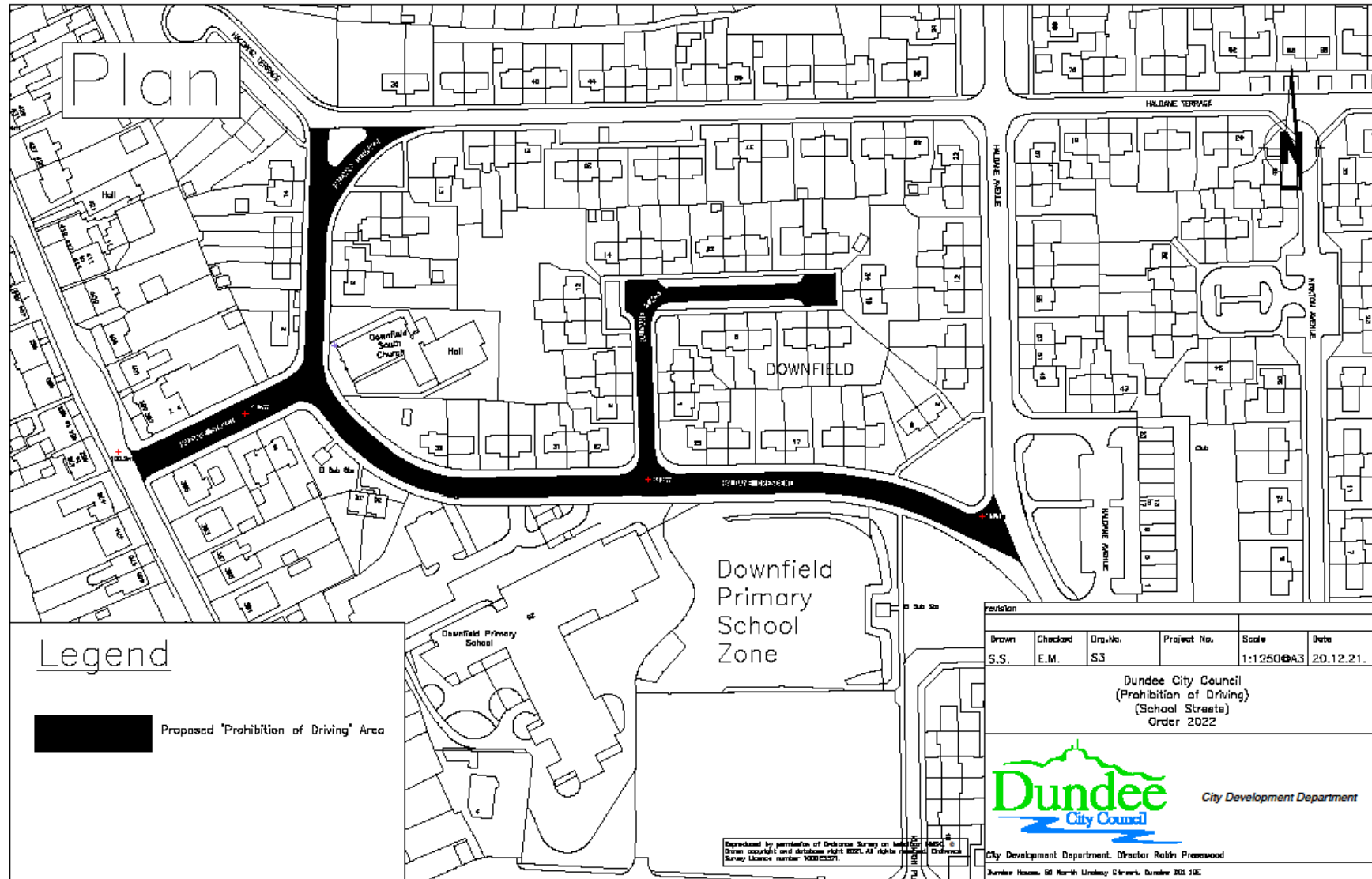
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