

**REPORT TO: PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
12 MARCH 2007**

REPORT ON: DUNDEE SPEED LIMITS

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

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1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report considers the necessity to rationalise the speed limit Traffic Regulation Orders in Dundee.

2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approve the preparation of Traffic Regulation Orders to replace the existing parts of the Traffic Regulation Orders which regulate speed limits within the city.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no financial implications arising as a result of this report.

4 SUSTAINABILITY POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Speed limits help to improve conditions and promote opportunities for walking and cycling.

5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Speed limits improve safety for pedestrians and for vehicles entering/leaving adjacent properties, thus improving conditions for the majority of travellers.

6 BACKGROUND

6.1 Currently the Traffic Regulation Orders which impose speed limits of 30mph, 40mph and 50mph have been inherited from the former Tayside Regional Council and contain items affecting the entire area of the former Regional Council.

6.2 These Orders have been amended over the years not only by this Council but by both Angus and Perth & Kinross Councils. Because of 3 different Councils acting independently this can lead to a lack of awareness of the current situation, resulting in potential inaccuracies. An example of this is rural speed restrictions being changed in another Council's area without Dundee City Council being informed.

6.3 It is therefore recommended that the items relative to Dundee be replaced by the promotion of new 30mph, 40mph and 50mph Traffic Regulation Orders for the city. This will result in easier reference and future amendment.

6.4 It is not proposed to alter any of the lengths of restrictions as part of this exercise but merely to replace the existing regulations.

7 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning) and the Chief Constable have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 There are no background papers of relevance to this report.

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