

REPORT TO: CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 24 JUNE 2013

REPORT ON: VARIATION TO WEIGHT LIMITS ON BRIDGES ORDER 2013

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF CITY DEVELOPMENT

REPORT NO: 214-2013

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report considers the requirement to promote a Traffic Regulation Order to vary the weight limit exemptions to include road maintenance vehicles on various bridges in Dundee to allow for statutory winter maintenance duties.
- 1.2 Due to improvements made to bridges, it will be necessary to promote a Traffic Regulation Order to delete two items which will become unrestricted.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to approve the preparation of a Traffic Regulation Order to affect the changes to the weight restriction exemptions on various bridges in the Dundee City Council (Weight Limits on Bridges) Order 1999.
- 2.2 The Committee is asked to approve the preparation of a Traffic Regulation Order to remove the weight restrictions on Stannergate Bridge and Taybridge Station Bridge, deleting them from the Dundee City Council (Weight Limits on Bridges) Order 1999.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The costs of preparing the Order will be met by the Traffic Revenue Minor Works Budget.

4 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Due to improvements made to both Stannergate Bridge and Taybridge Station Bridge, it will be necessary to remove the current weight restrictions which will allow the bridges to become fully unrestricted and allow access to all classes of vehicle.
- 4.2 To improve the efficiency of the statutory winter maintenance programme and aid the emergency services, it is necessary to include exemptions to the Order which will allow road maintenance vehicles and emergency service vehicles access over the bridges with an increased maximum gross weight.

5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

6 CONSULTATIONS

- 6.1 The Chief Executive, the Director of Corporate Services and Head of Democratic and Legal Services have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 There are no background papers of relevance to this report.

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