REPORT TO: PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE - 10 SEPTEMBER 2007

REPORT ON: FAIRBAIRN STREET & NEISH STREET, DUNDEE MAJOR EVENTS RELATED TRAFFIC CONTROL

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION

REPORT NO: 404-2007

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report considers controlling vehicular access in the vicinity of Dens and Tannadice Parks and in particular Fairbairn Street and Neish Street as a result of the loss of off-street coach parking facilities during events at the aforementioned football grounds.

2 **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to approve the preparation of a Traffic Regulation Order to vary the existing Order to include a prohibition of driving in Fairbairn Street and Neish Street to provide a coach parking facility in these streets.
- 2.2 The proposals are indicated on the attached plan.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 As it is the police who requested the closure controls they currently supply the necessary cones and barriers. There are no financial implications for the Council.

4 SUSTAINABILITY POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Promote sustainable transport by encouraging the use of coaches thus reducing the impact of private cars.

5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no direct equal opportunities implications.

6 BACKGROUND

- 6.1 For some time the area around Dens and Tannadice Parks has endured serious disruption and congestion when there have been football matches. A measure of control has been introduced over the years by the introduction of no waiting at any time restrictions at various junctions in the area and by the police providing no waiting cones. This is necessary to allow clear passage for emergency vehicles as well as for non football related traffic.
- 6.2 The police also close lengths of Sandeman Street, Tannadice Street, Hindmarsh Avenue and North Isla Street to vehicular traffic to facilitate crowd control.
- 6.3 A permanent Traffic Regulation Order was made in 2007 which made restrictions enforceable in the area around the football grounds. In addition to various waiting restrictions a prohibition of driving was introduced in lengths of Sandeman Street, Tannadice Street and North Isla Street.

- 6.4 Coaches have been accommodated in the former Densfield Works site off Tannadice Street. This facility has been lost due to the site being redeveloped.
- 6.5 The police have identified Neish Street and Fairbairn Street as being suitable for the parking of coaches and it will be necessary to prohibit other vehicular traffic from these streets.
- 6.6 It will therefore be necessary to promote a Traffic Regulation Order to vary the terms of the Dundee City Council (Dens Park and Tannadice Park Areas, Dundee) (Major Events Related Traffic Control) Order 2007 to include these provisions.

7 CONSULTATIONS

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

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None.

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