

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET– 2 DECEMBER 2009

MANDATORY 20MPH SPEED LIMIT ORDERS FOR VARIOUS RESIDENTIAL AREAS IN EAST AYRSHIRE

Report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek the approval of the Cabinet for the introduction of mandatory 20 mph speed limits in residential areas in East Ayrshire.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At the Cabinet's meeting on 3 June 2009 approval was given for proposals to introduce a number of new mandatory 20mph speed limits as well as converting several advisory Twenty's Plenty schemes to mandatory 20mph speed limits to enable Strathclyde Police to enforce the reduced limits, to enhance safety for all road users and improve the environment for residents.
- 2.2 The Police have indicated support for the 20mph speed limits if traffic calming is provided, where necessary, to encourage compliance with the mandatory speed limit.
- 2.3 Two separate Speed Limit Orders for the promotion of the 20mph speed limits were advertised on the 14th & 16th of October 2009, giving a period of 3 weeks for comment or objections. The two Orders were promoted for:-
- (i) The Northern Area which includes various streets in Fenwick and Galston.
 - (ii) The Southern Area which includes various streets in Burnton (by Dalmellington), Catrine, Cumnock, Dalmellington, Dalrymple and Rankinston
- 2.4 Road Humps Notices have been advertised for the locations where traffic calming is proposed in conjunction with the new 20mph speed limits.

3. PROPOSAL

- 3.1 Full Time Mandatory 20mph Speed Limit Orders have been promoted as follows :-

3.1.1 Northern Area-

Fenwick:-

Auchans Place, Blackfaulds Drive, Blackfaulds Gardens, Braehead Road, Dunlop Street, Glenraig Terrace, Glebe Terrace, Holm Crescent, Kirkton Place, Maunsheugh Road, Murchland Avenue, Poles Road, Raith Road and Rysland Drive.

Galston:-

Belvedere View, Cairn Place, Cairn Terrace and Cairn View

3.1.2 Southern Area-

Burnton (by Dalmellington):-
Burnton and Craigmark Wynd.

Catrine:-
Holm Farm Road, Institute Avenue, Newton Street, Newton Terrace and Stewart Place.

Cumnock:-
Keir Hardie Hill.

Dalmellington:-
Armour Wynd, Castle Croft, Castle Road, Cathcartston, Church Hill, Dalton Avenue, Gateside Street, High Street, High Main Street, Hopes Avenue, Knowhead, Main Street, Melling Terrace, New Street, Newbiggin Terrace, Park Crescent, Paterson Street, Townhead and Waterside Street.

Dalrymple:-
Burnside Drive, Burnton Road, Doonvale Avenue, Fulton Drive, Kirkton Avenue, Morton Drive, Primpton Avenue and Purclewan Crescent.

Rankinston:-
Barnhill Place, Coyle Crescent, Kerse Terrace, Littlemill Place and Ravenscroft Place.

4. PROCEDURES

4.1 The draft Order has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedures) (Scotland) Regulations 1999.

4.2 **Consultation** – the organisations, representative groups and individuals consulted during the preparation of the Order are detailed in Appendix 1. The Chief Constable has no objections to the draft Order providing traffic calming is provided where needed to help drivers reduce their speed to comply with the reduced speed limit. No objections or adverse comments were received from any of the consultees.

4.3 **Publication of Proposals** – The draft Orders were published in the Kilmarnock Standard, Ayrshire Post and the Cumnock Chronicle. Full details of the proposals with plans were available for inspection at:

- Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock
- The Roads & Transportation Division, Holmquarry House, Holmquarry Road, Kilmarnock
- The Roads & Transportation Division, Council Offices, Lugar

Also at the following Local Council Offices for the Local Areas shown in brackets:

- Local Council Office – Cross Street, Galston (Northern Area)
- Local Council Office - 14 Lugar Street, Cumnock (Southern Area)
- Local Council Office – 33 Main Street, Dalmellington (Southern Area)

- Dalrymple Library – Barbieston Road, Dalrymple (Southern Area)
- Community Education Centre – Littlemill Place Rankinston (Southern Area)

4.4 Formal Objections -

No objections were received in respect of either draft Order.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1** The promotion of these Orders has been in accordance with the requirements of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended and the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 1999.

6. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1** None

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1** The costs of the works will be met from the Road Division's Safer Neighbourhoods (20mph Zones) budget and also an allocation from the Community Planning Partnership Board's Fairer Scotland Fund.

8. COMMUNITY PLAN / POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1** The proposed new speed limits are designed to improve community safety and the environment in local communities. The project will address the need to reduce speeds and improve road safety for school children and other vulnerable road users, including the elderly, the disabled, cyclists and pedestrians.

9 RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1** Community safety benefits will not be realised if the 20mph speed limits in the residential areas are not implemented as proposed.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1** It is recommended that the Cabinet:

- (i) notes the content of the report;
- (ii) approve the making of the Orders for 20mph speed limits at the locations outlined in paragraphs 3.1.1 and 3.1.2.

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 18TH November 2009
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BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 1 East Ayrshire Council (Various 20mph Speed Limits Northern Area) (20mph Speed Limits) Order 200_**
- 2 East Ayrshire Council (Various 20mph Speed Limits Southern Area) (20mph Speed Limits, Restricted Roads and Amendments) Order 200_**

Copies of the above named Orders are available from the Head of Roads & Transportation.

For further information on the contents of this report please contact Keith Orton on 01563 555714

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APPENDIX 1

CONSULTED BY LETTER

1. Chief Constable
2. Strathclyde Fire Brigade
3. NHS Ayrshire & Arran
4. Scottish Ambulance Service
5. SPT
6. Freight Transport Association
7. Road Haulage Association
8. Stagecoach Western (incl A1 Service)
9. The Postmaster
10. Scottish Power
11. Scottish Gas Networks
12. British Telecom
13. Scottish Water
14. Cycling Scotland
15. C.T.C (Ayrshire Section)
16. Scottish Taxi Federation
17. East Ayrshire South Forum on Disability
18. North East Ayrshire Access Panel
19. Cumnock & Doon Valley Access Panel
20. Catrine CC
21. Cumnock CC
22. Dalmellington CC
23. Dalrymple CC
24. Fenwick CC
25. Galston CC
26. Cllr A Brown
27. Cllr B McDill
28. Cllr S Finlayson
29. Cllr S Young
30. Cllr D Shaw
31. Cllr J Roberts
32. Cllr J Kelly
33. Cllr N. McGhee
34. Cllr B. Menzies
35. Cllr B. Crawford
36. Cllr K. Morrice
37. Cllr E. Ross
38. Cllr E. Dinwoodie
39. Cllr D. Filson
40. Cllr B McDill – Environment & Regeneration
41. Cllr J Buchanan – Environment & Regeneration
42. Chief Executive
43. Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services
44. Executive Director of Corporate Support
45. Executive Director of Educational and Social Services
46. Chief Engineer (Operations)
50. Head of Planning & Economic Development