

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE – 28 NOVEMBER 2006

TO EXTEND THE EXISTING 30MPH SPEED LIMIT ON ROUTE B7061 MAIN ROAD FENWICK AND TO INTRODUCE A 40MPH SPEED LIMIT ON ROUTE B7038 SOUTHCRAIGS TO FENWICK

Report by Acting Executive Director of Development and Property Services

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval to extend the existing 30 mph on route B7061 Main Road, Fenwick and to introduce a 40 mph speed limit on the section of the B7038 between Southcraigs and Fenwick.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At present, the section of carriageway between the existing 30 mph speed limit on the B7038 Glasgow Road, Kilmarnock and the B7061 at Fenwick is subject to the national speed limit. Due to various turning movements, slip roads on / off the A77 and high vehicle speeds in this area, there is strong support for the introduction of a 40 mph speed limit. The reduction of the speed limit at this section will also compliment the provision of a pedestrian and cycle route between Kilmarnock and Fenwick
- 2.2 After the implementation of the 40 mph Order, the proposals for the on carriageway cycle lanes will be completed. Strathclyde Police, the Local Member and residents within Fenwick have indicated that they would support the reduction of the speed limit in this area.
- 2.3 In addition to introducing a 40 mph speed limit, the existing 30 mph speed limit on the B7061 at the southern end of Fenwick will be extended to the roundabout at the M77 southbound off ramp. This will improve road safety for all road users and compliment proposals for the introduction of traffic calming along this section of carriageway.

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1 **B7038 40 mph Speed Limit** – It is proposed to introduce a 40mph speed limit for a distance of 1 kilometre as shown in Appendix 1.
- 3.2 **B7061 Main Road Fenwick** – It is proposed to extend the existing 30 mph speed limit for a distance of 285 metres as shown in Appendix 1.

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 listed in appendix 2. The Chief Constable had no objections to the draft Order and no objections or adverse comments were received from any of the consultees.

4.3 Publication of Proposals – the draft Order was advertised in the Kilmarnock Standard on the 24th September 2006 with a 21 day period for objections. Full details of the proposals with plans and Statement of Reasons were available for inspection at

- Council Headquarters, London Road,
- East Ayrshire Council, Traffic and Transportation, Holmquarry House, Holmquarry Road

4.4 Formal Objections – no objections were received in respect of the draft Order.

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 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.

7 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The extension of the existing 30 mph speed limit and new 40 mph speed limit will contribute to the Governments policies to reduce road casualties and Council policies to improve safety for all road users

8 COMMUNITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

8.1 The speed limit extension and introduction of a new 40 mph speed limit will contribute to improving community safety.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- (a) Notes the content of the report: and
- (b) Approves the proposal to introduce a 40mph speed limit on route B7038 Southcraigs to Fenwick and to extend the existing 30 mph speed limit on route B7061 Main Road, Fenwick.

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14th October 2005
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LIST OF APPENDICES

- Appendix 1 – **Route B7038 Southcraigs to Fenwick**. Plan showing the extent of the 40 mph speed limit
- Appendix 1 – **Route B7061 Main Road, Fenwick** – Plan showing extent of The 30 mph speed limit extension
- Appendix 2 – List of parties consulted

BACKGROUND PAPERS

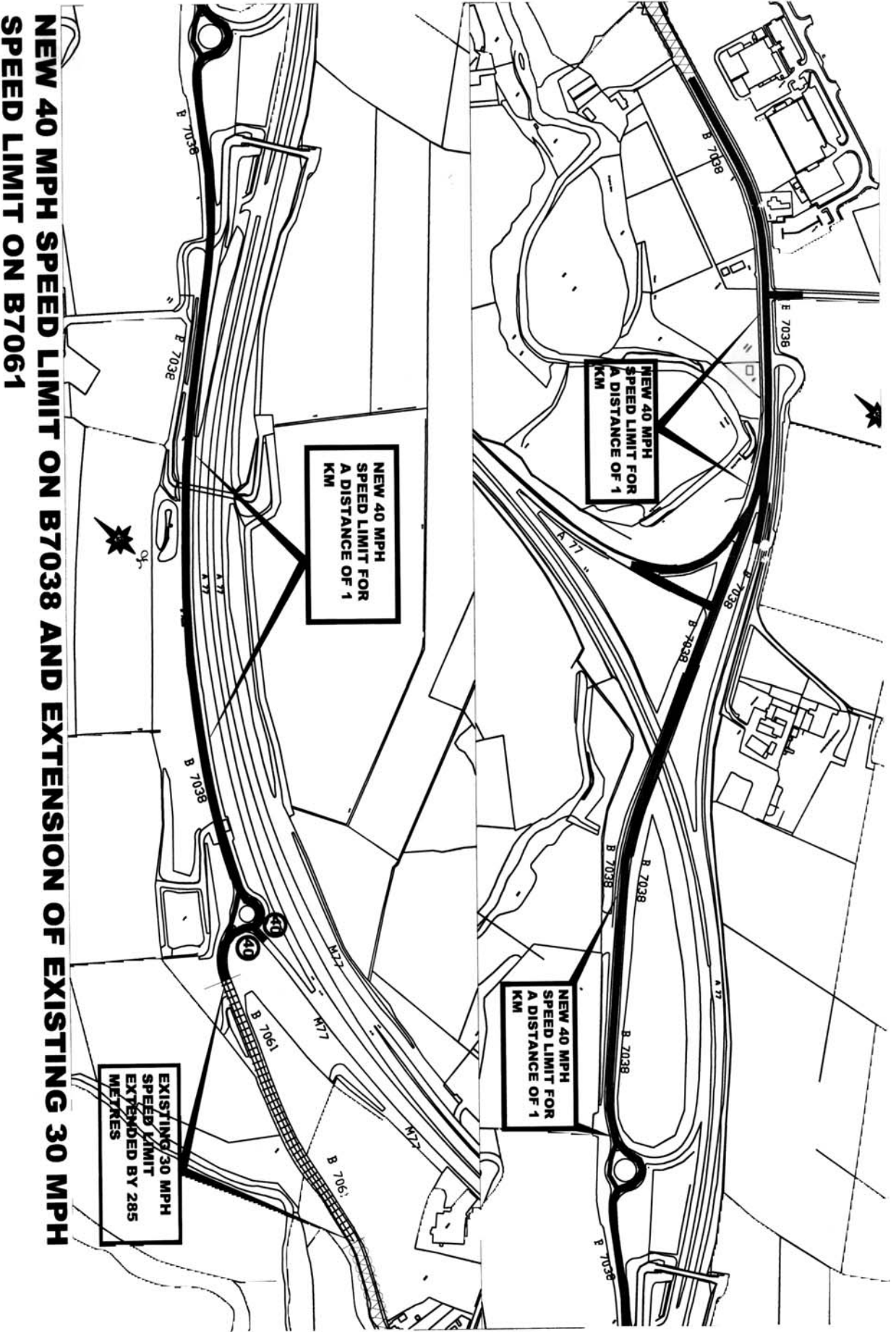
- 1 The East Ayrshire Council (Route B7038 – B7061 Southcraigs to Fenwick) (40 mph Speed Limit, Restricted Roads and Revocation) Order _____**

Copies of the above named draft Order 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



NEW 40 MPH SPEED LIMIT ON B7038 AND EXTENSION OF EXISTING 30 MPH SPEED LIMIT ON B7061

Appendix 2

Consultation List – (Route B7038 – B7061 Southcraigs to Fenwick) (40 mph Speed Limit, Restricted Roads and Revocation) Order_____

The following organisations, representative groups and individuals were consulted during the preparation of the draft Order –

Strathclyde Police
Strathclyde Fire Brigade
Ayrshire & Arran Acute Hospitals NHS Trust
Ayrshire & Arran Primary Care NHS Trust
Scottish Ambulance Service
Strathclyde Passenger Transport
Freight Transport Association Ltd
The Road Haulage Association Ltd
Stagecoach Western Buses & A1 Service
Shuttlebuses
Royal Mail
Scottish Power
Transco
British Telecom
Scottish Water
Royal Automobile Club
The Automobile Association Ltd
C.T.C
Cycling Scotland
Kilmarnock & Loudon Access Panel
Scottish Taxi Federation
East Ayrshire Taxi Trades Council
Southcraigs / Dean Community Council
Chair, Development Services Committee
Councillor S Young
Chair, Kilmarnock North Local Committee
Chief Executive, East Ayrshire Council
Executive Director of Development and Property Services
Chief Engineer (Operations)
Head of Planning and Building Control
Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services