

## **EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE - 19 SEPTEMBER 2001**

#### **ROAD SAFETY MEASURES AT LOUDOUN ACADEMY**

##### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To advise the Committee of proposals for traffic calming measures on the A719 in the vicinity of Loudoun Academy.

##### **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Local concerns have been expressed regarding the speed of traffic and the safety of school children in the vicinity of Loudoun Academy.
- 2.2 The Roads and Transportation Division in September 1999 consulted the Police regarding the possibility of introducing a 40mph speed limit on the A719 in the locality of the school. The Police stated that they could not support the introduction of speed limits unless this was accompanied by significant traffic calming measures.
- 2.3 A traffic calming scheme for the A719 at Loudoun Academy was included in the programme of road safety measures approved by the Development Services Committee at its meeting on 6 June 2000 and this was to be implemented in conjunction with the promotion of a 30 mph speed limit order.

##### **3. PROPOSALS**

- 3.1 The proposals for traffic calming on the A719 from Galston Roundabout to the access to Loudoun Castle are shown in Figure 1.
- 3.2 The works consist of the construction of traffic islands, speed tables, red textured surfacing, signing and road markings
- 3.2 The extent of the speed limit order is shown in Figure 2. The speed limit order is substantially progressed, having completed the statutory consultation period and was approved by Development Services Committee on 28 August 2001. The remaining statutory process will be completed in time to be coordinated with the traffic calming works.

**4. TIMESCALE**

- 4.1 The work will require to be completed in this financial year.
- 4.2 Further consultations will take place with Loudoun Academy, emergency services, the community council and other interested parties.

**5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The cost of the Speed Limit Order and traffic calming works will be met by the Road Safety Capital Budget

**6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 A new Speed Limit Order will be made for an amendment to the speed limit, in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

**7. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 7.1 It is recommended that the committee :-
  - (i) Agrees to the provision of traffic calming measures on the A719 in the vicinity of Loudoun Academy

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**LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

**Nil**

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**AGENDA**