

**REPORT TO: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES COMMITTEE ON 20 APRIL 2010**

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER – GLOVER STREET, ELGIN**

**BY: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

**1. REASON FOR REPORT**

The Committee is asked to approve the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order which will alter the existing parking restrictions on Glover Street, Elgin as detailed in **Appendix A** and shown in Plans **Appendix B** to this report.

1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of the Council's Administrative Scheme relating to the making of Orders for the regulation and management of traffic.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

**2.1 That the Committee agree:-**

**(a) to approve the proposed Traffic Regulation Order to alter the existing waiting restrictions on Glover Street, Elgin and instruct the Director of Environmental Services and Chief Legal Officer to proceed with the statutory process and;**

**(b) to instruct the Director of Environmental Services and the Chief Legal Officer to make and implement the order if, following the consultation period, there are no outstanding objections.**

**3. BACKGROUND**

3.1 Members will be aware that the proposals to create Council office accommodation in the recently acquired "Aldi building" will generate pedestrian traffic in Glover Street, between the existing Headquarters and the new offices.

3.2 A new access door is to be created from the new offices onto Glover Street as part of the alterations. As a result of the new access a widened area of footway for pedestrians to wait, prior to crossing Glover Street, will have to be constructed on the east side. For clarity the footway will extend back to Greyfriars Street providing protection to the proposed buildout and improved pedestrian links within the town centre. It is also proposed to remove the existing small build-out at the junction of Greyfriars Street and Glover Street.

3.3 As a result of the proposals, the existing parking on Glover Street between Greyfriars Street and the access to the Council Headquarters car park will

require to be removed to accommodate the proposed footway and still maintain sufficient carriageway width for traffic.

- 3.4 Parking on Glover Street between the Council headquarters car park access and the High Street will remain unaltered.

#### **4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

##### **(a) Single Outcome Agreement/Service Improvement Plan**

The proposal adheres to National and Local Outcomes with reference to Outcome 1, making movement in and out of Moray as easy, convenient and cost effective as possible for business, residents and tourists.

##### **(a) Policy and legal**

This proposal complies with the requirements of the Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984.

##### **(b) Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)**

The cost of promoting the Traffic Regulation Order, and altering the lining is estimated at £1500. It is proposed that funding will be allocated from the Designing Better Services project to convert the original supermarket building to Council offices, subject to the final project costs. If there are insufficient funds remaining within this budget the £1500 could be funded from the Elgin Traffic Management Capital budget for 2010/11.

##### **(c) Consultations**

Scott Mann, Traffic Inspector for Grampian Police has been consulted on this report and is in agreement with the recommendation.

Lorraine Paisey, Principal Accountant has been consulted and is in agreement with the financial implications.

Alasdair McEachan, Principal Solicitor (Commercial & Conveyancing) has been consulted and is in agreement with the recommendation.

The Elected Members for Elgin City North and Elgin City South have been advised and any comments they have can be made at the meeting.

#### **5. CONCLUSIONS**

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**5.1 It is proposed to promote a Traffic Regulation Order which will have the effect of altering the existing waiting restrictions on Glover Street, Elgin (see attached schedules in Appendix A and plans Appendix B).**

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Background Papers: None

Ref: ARD/JS

**THE MORAY COUNCIL (GLOVER STREET, ELGIN – PROHIBITION OF WAITING) ORDER 2010**

**SCHEDULE 1**

**“NO WAITING AT ANY TIME” RESTRICTIONS**

**ROADS IN ELGIN**

Glover Street	East Side From the projected north kerblines of Greyfriars Street on to the projected east kerblines of Glover Street in a northerly direction to a projected south kerblines of South College Street, a distance of 95 metres or thereby.
Glover Street	West Side From the projected north kerblines of Greyfriars Street on to the projected west kerblines of Glover Street in a northerly direction for a distance of 59 metres or thereby.
Glover Street	West Side From a point 88 metres or thereby north of the projected north kerblines of Greyfriars Street on to the projected west kerblines of Glover Street in a northerly direction for a distance of 7 metres or thereby.

**SCHEDULE 2**

**“WAITING LIMITED TO 30 MINUTES WITH NO RETURN WITHIN 30 MINUTES MON-SAT 8AM-5PM”**

Glover Street	West Side From a point 59 metres or thereby north of the projected north kerblines of Greyfriars Street on to the projected west kerblines of Glover Street in a northerly direction for a distance of 29 metres or thereby.
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**ORDERS TO BE REVOKED**

The Moray Council (Various Streets, Elgin – Prohibition of Waiting) Order 2008 in so far as it relates to Glover Street.

**STATEMENT OF REASON**

The Moray Council propose to alter the existing Waiting Restrictions to complement pedestrian improvements as a result of adjacent development proposals to Glover Street in the interest of road safety.