

REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE ON 16 APRIL 2008

SUBJECT: ROAD TRAFFIC ORDER – 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT – VARIOUS SCHOOLS

BY: CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER

1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 To invite the Committee to approve the following Road Traffic Order:-

“The Moray Council (20mph Speed Limits – Various Schools Order) 2008”

1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section E(15) of the Council's Administrative Scheme relating to Orders to deal with traffic management functions, including the preparation and implementation of traffic management schemes.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The Committee are invited to approve the undernoted Road Traffic Order and authorise the Chief Legal Office to make the Order:-

“The Moray Council (20mph Speed Limits – Various Schools) Order 2008”

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 Members will recall that following consideration of the Environmental Services Committee on 10 October 2007 (paragraph 28 of the Minute refers) it was agreed to make a new Road Traffic Order in respect of areas around Aberlour Primary School, Cluny Primary School, Buckie Community High School, Findochty Primary School, Hopeman Primary School, Hythehill Primary School, Millbank Primary School, Mortlach Primary School, Mosstodloch Primary School and Portgordon Primary School.

3.2 Authority was granted to the Director of Environmental Services and the Chief Legal Officer to carry out the statutory process to promote the proposed Order.

3.3 The proposal was advertised in the Northern Scot on the 1 February 2008 and the Banffshire Advertiser on the 5th February 2008. No objections have been received in response to the statutory consultations.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Development Plan/Community Plan/Service Improvement Plan

The report encompasses the main aims of the Economic Development programme by maintaining suitable transport facilities and infrastructure for residents, visitors, businesses and workers.

(b) Policy and Legal

This proposal complies with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

(c) Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)

The cost of providing signing can be funded from the Road Safety Budget 2008/09.

The speed restrictions are being introduced to highlight changes to the road environment in conjunction with schools.

(d) Consultations

The Roads Policing Inspector of Grampian Police has been consulted and has no adverse comments to the proposal.

Deborah Brands, Principal Accountant has been consulted and is in agreement with the financial implications of this report.

The Principal Solicitor (Commercial & Conveyancing) has been consulted and is in agreement with the report.

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 That the Committee consider the recommendations set out in Section 2 of the report and approve the proposed 20mph speed limits around various schools in Moray.

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Background Papers: Committee Report to Environmental Services and Minute of meeting of 10 October 2007

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