

REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE ON 16 APRIL 2008

**SUBJECT: ROAD TRAFFIC ORDER – VARIOUS ROADS AROUND
DR GRAYS, ELGIN – PROHIBITION OF WAITING**

BY: CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER

1. REASON FOR REPORT

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

“The Moray Council (Various Roads around Dr Grays, Elgin – Prohibition of Waiting) 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 Officer to make the Order:-

The Moray Council “(Various Roads around Dr Grays, Elgin – Prohibition of Waiting) Order 2008”

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 Members will recall that following consideration of the Environmental Services Committee on 5 December 2007 (paragraph 18 of the Minute refers) it was agreed to promote a new Road Traffic Order in respect of roads around Dr Grays, Elgin.

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 18th January 2008. Two objections were received with regard to the proposed road traffic order in relation to Pluscarden Road. Officers from the Roads Service have negotiated with the objectors and a suitable compromise has verbally been agreed. It is anticipated that written confirmation will be submitted withdrawing the two outstanding objections which can be confirmed by the Principal Solicitor (Commercial & Conveyancing) at this Committee on the 16th April 2008. The agreed alteration relates to a minor shortening of the waiting restrictions to the north side of Pluscarden Road as noted in **Appendix 1**. The alterations have been discussed with Grampian Police who are in agreement with the amendment.

- 3.4 A resident of Wittet Drive had advised that he did not wish to object to the proposed Road Traffic Order but wished his letter of concerns to be made available to the Committee for noting when considering the Road Traffic Order. The letter is attached as **Appendix 2** to the report.

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 signs and road markings can be funded from the New Signs and Road Markings Capital Plan 2008/09, if approved.

(d) Consultations

The Roads Policing Inspector of Grampian Police has been consulted and concurs with the proposals contained in the report.

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 concurs with the issues contained in this report.

The proposals have been discussed with both the Scottish Ambulance Service and Grampian Fire and Rescue Service and they are in agreement with what is proposed.

5. CONCLUSION

- 5.1 That the Committee consider the promotion of waiting restrictions in the streets surrounding Dr Gray's Hospital and instruct the Director of Environmental Services and the Chief Legal Officer to make the order.**

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Background Papers: Committee Report to Environmental Services and Minute of meeting of 5 December 2007

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