

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT

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| To: PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT) SUB-COMMITTEE | | Subject: THE NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL, CUMBERNAULD VILLAGE, CUMBERNAULD PROPOSED 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT, INSTALLATION OF ROAD HUMPS AND SPEED TABLES AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MEASURES - CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS |
| From: DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION | | |
| Date: 8 January 1997 | Ref: JM/IG | |

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Section 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 specifies the reasons whereby a Local Authority can promote a Traffic Regulation Order. In the case of North Lanarkshire Council, all requests for the promotion of such Orders emanate from the Divisional Managers of the Planning and Development Department who, following appropriate informal consultations with emergency services and other interests, will formulate a proposed Order.
- 1.2 The Divisional Manager then prepares a report recommending the introduction of a Traffic Regulation Order which is then submitted to the Director of Administration, along with its accompanying schedules and plans showing its detail.
- 1.3 The Director of Administration then prepares a formal draft Order on the basis of the proposals as contained within the said schedules and plans. Thereafter, the Director of Administration undertakes a formal consultation exercise by letter involving various public and other bodies and interests. In the absence of significant adverse comment, the proposals are then advertised formally in the press and locality and the draft Order and other documentation therewith are made available for inspection in accordance with the Local Roads Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedures) (Scotland) Regulations 1987.
- 1.4 Should no objections to the proposed Order be received, the proposal is then submitted to Committee for approval.

2 REPORT

- 2.1 In terms of paragraph 1.1 above a request was received for a Traffic Regulation Order and a temporary 20 mph Speed Limit Order within Cumbernauld Village, Cumbernauld.
- 2.2 Cumbernauld Village lies immediately southeast of the A80, Glasgow to Stirling Road, approximately 16 miles east of Glasgow. The roads in question namely Baronhill, Glasgow Road, Main Street, Smithyends and The Wynd lie within Cumbernauld Village, providing access to commercial and residential properties and community facilities.

- 2.3 Currently, waiting and loading restrictions are in force over short sections of Main Street and The Wynd by virtue of Orders made by the Burgh of Cumbernauld and Strathclyde Regional Council in 1971 and 1988, respectively and these will be revoked by virtue of the new Order should the Sub-Committee so agree.
- 2.4 Presently, parking occurs on both sides of Main Street and on the east side of The Wynd, which is a narrow two way road, creating congestion and adversely affecting the amenity of the area. A new car park has recently been constructed to the north of Main Street between Smithyends and The Wynd. This car park will be linked with the existing car park located immediately west of The Wynd, which is presently being upgraded. A working group comprising officials of Cumbernauld Development Corporation, Cumbernauld and Kilsyth District Council and Strathclyde Regional Council's Roads Department was established to examine ways of enhancing the amenity of the area and contributing to the regeneration of the village's community life. The working group recommended that traffic calming measures should be introduced in conjunction with environmental improvements.
- 2.5 In order to enhance road safety and to improve amenity, the Sub-Committee are asked to:-
- (a) introduce temporary 20 mph speed limits over the entire lengths of Baronhill, Main Street, Smithyends and The Wynd;
 - (b) install a total of 7 road humps in Baronhill, Main Street and The Wynd;
 - (c) install speed tables (raised plateaux junctions) at the junctions of The Wynd and Roadside, Main Street and The Wynd and Main Street and Smithyends;
 - (d) introduce no waiting and no loading at any time restrictions in Baronhill, Glasgow Road, Main Street, Smithyends and The Wynd;
 - (e) introduce no waiting between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm, Monday to Saturday, restrictions in Main Street;
 - (f) introduce waiting limited to 20 minutes between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm, Monday to Saturday, with return prohibited within one hour restrictions in Baronhill, Main Street and The Wynd;
 - (g) introduce one way operations in a southerly direction over the entire length of The Wynd and in an easterly direction in the section of Main Street between its junctions with The Wynd and the A8011;
 - (h) designate disabled person's vehicles parking bays at which waiting is limited to two hours, with return prohibited within one hour, in Main Street;
 - (i) revoke existing orders, as required.
- 2.6 Following the successful promotion of these proposals and an assessment of the effectiveness of the temporary 20 mph speed limits on the affected roads, an application will be made to the Secretary of State for Scotland for the introduction of a permanent 20 mph speed limit zone.
- 2.7 The former Strathclyde Regional Council consulted with the Chief Constable, Strathclyde Fire Brigade, Scottish Ambulance Service, Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive, Cumbernauld Development Corporation, Cumbernauld and Kilsyth District Council, Cumbernauld Village and Castlecary Community Council and the Local Member on the proposals, who expressed no objections.

2.8 North Lanarkshire Council advertised the proposals by way of public advertisement, to which no objections were received.

3 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 That the Sub-Committee approve the introduction of the North Lanarkshire Council (Cumbernauld Village, Cumbernauld) (Traffic Management) Order and authorise the Director of Administration to approach the Secretary of State for Scotland for authorisation to introduce the North Lanarkshire Council (Various Streets, Cumbernauld Village) (Temporary 20 mph Speed Limits) Order.


Director of Administration

The Plan which relates to the proposed Orders can be inspected by contacting Mr John Murray at extension 2259.