

**REPORT TO:** Cabinet

**MEETING DATE:** 14 June 2022

**BY:** Executive Director for Place

**SUBJECT:** Various Roads, East Lothian: Introduction and Amendments to Traffic Regulation Orders 2022

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## **1 PURPOSE**

- 1.1 To seek Cabinet approval to start the statutory procedures necessary to introduce and amend various Traffic Regulation Orders to prohibit waiting, loading and unloading, introduce new speed limits and time restricted waiting, make permanent a one-way road and re-determine the use of certain roads whereby access may be restricted or closed.

## **2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 That Cabinet approves the initiation of the statutory procedure necessary to introduce and amend Traffic Regulation Orders in accordance with The Local Authorities (Procedures) (Scotland) Regulations 1999 and such introductions and amendments that are in force in respect of locations and proposals listed in Appendices A – F.

## **3 BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 East Lothian Council as Local Traffic Authority is responsible for the making or amending of Traffic Regulation Orders as necessary; to avert danger to road users; to aid free unrestricted movement on the road; to prevent inappropriate use of the road and/or adjoining property and to improve the amenity of the area.

### **3.2 Disabled parking, West Barns**

Dunbar and East Linton Area Partnership funded the formation of 3 disabled parking spaces for attendees visiting West Barns Village Hall however non-blue badge holders have been parking in the spaces. It is recommended that these bays be made enforceable (see Appendix A).

### 3.3 Conversion of 2 disabled bays to a bus bay, Windygoul Primary School

Windygoul Primary School have asked for a bus bay to be provided at the front of the school for the transport which transports their children with Autism and Learning Disabilities. It is recommended that two current parking bays be converted to a designated bus bay (see Appendix A).

### 3.4 Parking restrictions, Davidson Terrace, Haddington

Public Service Vehicles have difficulties travelling along Davidson Terrace due to inconsiderate parking and on occasion have had to divert their service. It is recommended to introduce parking restrictions (see Appendix A).

### 3.5 Muirpark Road, Tranent

Inconsiderate parking of vans on both corners of the cul-de-sac blocks the lowered kerbs and obstructs the sightlines for approaching vehicular traffic. It is recommended to introduce parking restrictions (see Appendix A).

### 3.6 Glasclune Gardens, North Berwick

A short section of double yellow lines exists at the junction with East Road. Vehicles parking just beyond this restriction create a hazard on a blind bend. It is recommended to extend the current restriction around the bend (see Appendix A).

### 3.7 Inveresk Road, Musselburgh

Parked vehicles cause difficulties for buses on the western side of the road between the junction with Mall Avenue and the bus shelter. It is recommended to introduce Schedule 2 parking restrictions (see Appendix A).

### 3.8 Wallyford Industrial Estate

Indiscriminate parking at the end of the access road causes obstruction and potential danger to road users. It is recommended to introduce Schedule 2 parking restrictions (see Appendix A).

### 3.9 East Lothian Community Hospital

Following concerns about overflow parking from the hospital on residential roads causing obstruction and danger a TTRO was enacted to restrict parking on Alderston Road at the junctions with Haldane Avenue (A199) and Alderston Gardens. It is recommended that this order is made permanent (see Appendix A).

### 3.10 Tynninghame Links Coastal Car Park

In order to prevent inconsiderate and dangerous parking, it is proposed to introduce schedule 2 parking restrictions opposite the designated parking bays on Limetree Walk, Tynninghame (see Appendix A).

### 3.11 30mph speed limit, Humbie

Following community representation a temporary 30mph speed limit was introduced in 2018. Traffic monitoring has shown that this has had an effect in reducing average vehicle speeds. East Lothian Council has also reviewed its speed limit policy and we now recommend that this order is made permanent. This permanent change in speed limit is supported by Police Scotland (see Appendix B).

### 3.12 One way traffic, Law Road, North Berwick

A temporary order to make Law Road, North Berwick available only for south bound traffic between St Andrew Street and St Margaret's Road was introduced under emergency (pandemic) legislation in 2018. This temporary order is due to expire in June 2022 and, following representations from the community, it is recommended that the order be made permanent (see Appendix C).

### 3.13 Implementation of a "bus gate", The Loan, Wallyford

Space within the footprint of Wallyford Park and Ride could be re-purposed to provide additional facilities such as toilets, charging for electric buses, ebike hire and to facilitate interchange between long distance, express and local buses. These ideas have been illustrated in this [concept design document](#).

In the short term, it is proposed to close the current bus link road and use this space for charging infrastructure (and potentially a kiosk and toilets in future). The bus stops would be re-located to The Loan itself.

To test the impacts of the design on traffic flows, and to allow informed public feedback, it is recommended that link road be closed and The Loan re-determined as a 'bus gate' (restricted to buses, taxis, and bicycles only) under an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO). The current footway will remain as it is, although consideration is being given to widening it in future as this is a main route to schools in Wallyford.

If successful, the ETRO can be converted to a full TRO and physical works commence after 6 months (see Appendix D).

### 3.14 Redetermination of Alderston Road, Haddington

There is currently in place a temporary closure to vehicular traffic on Alderston Road to the north of Alderston Meadows. It is recommended to remove this closure and introduce an alternative closure over the old railway bridge between the car park entrance south of Alderston Meadows (at the end of the railway walk) to the junction at St Lawrence. Active travel (walking and cycling) will be permitted over the closure (see Appendix D).

### 3.15 Redetermination of Countess Crescent, Dunbar

Countess Crescent was closed to motorised vehicles under the Spaces for People programme. It has been well received by the school and local residents. Making it permanent was supported by a majority of respondents to the public consultation in late 2021. Therefore it is recommended to make this arrangement permanent (see Appendix D).

### 3.16 90 minute parking restriction, Kirk Ports car park, North Berwick

The car park in Kirk Ports, North Berwick, was constructed to assist with visitors accessing and utilising the High Street businesses; however, the car park is being used primarily as a long stay. It is recommended that the car park has a maximum stay of 90 minutes in any 3 hour period (see Appendix E).

### 3.17 Seasonal 3-hour parking restriction, Glebe car park, North Berwick

The car park in The Glebe, North Berwick was constructed to assist with visitors accessing and utilising the town facilities and attractions; however, the car park is being used primarily as a long stay. In order to encourage churn and increase availability of parking during the peak tourist period it is recommended that the car park has a maximum stay of 3 hours in any 24 hour period (see Appendix F).

## **4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

### 4.1 None

## **5 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

### 5.1 The subject of this report does not affect the wellbeing of the community or have a significant impact on equality, the environment or economy.

## **6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

### 6.1 Financial – All costs involved in connection with consultation, advertising, design and implementation associated with the making of these Orders can be accommodated within the Roads revenue budget.

### 6.2 Personnel - None

### 6.3 Other – None

## **7 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

### 7.1 None

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<b>Appendix A</b>		
<b>The Amendments of the Prohibition and Restriction waiting, loading and unloading at Various Streets, Traffic Regulation Orders</b>		
<b>No.</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	West Barns, Dunbar	Introduce enforcement of disabled bays
2	Windygoul Primary School	Convert two parking bays to a bus bay
3	Davidson Terrace, Haddington	Introduce parking restrictions to facilitate PSV access
4	Glasclune Gardens, North Berwick	Extend length of current parking restrictions
5	Wallyford Industrial Estate	Introduce parking restrictions at end of access road
6	East Lothian Community Hospital	Make parking restrictions permanent
7	Muirpark Road, Tranent	Introduce waiting restrictions to control indiscriminate parking
8	Inveresk Road, Musselburgh	Introduce waiting restrictions to control indiscriminate parking
9	Limetree Walk, Tynninghame	Introduce parking restrictions to control indiscriminate parking

<b>Appendix B</b>		
<b>Speed Limits</b>		
<b>No.</b>	<b>location</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	B6368, Humbie	Make temporary 30mph speed limit permanent

<b>Appendix C</b>		
<b>One Way</b>		
<b>No.</b>	<b>location</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	Law Road, North Berwick	Make road one way from St. Andrew Street to St. Margaret's Road as road is unsuitable for two way traffic

<b>Appendix D</b>		
<b>Redetermination of road use</b>		
<b>No.</b>	<b>location</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	The Loan, Wallyford	Introduce a bus gate to restrict use of The Loan to public transport <i>Full report attached</i>
2	Alderston Road, Haddington	Close the road to vehicular traffic in between St Lawrence junction and the car park entrance at the end of the railway walk (to the south of Alderston Meadow).
3	Countess Crescent, Dunbar	Make the current closure permanent

<b>Appendix E</b>		
<b>90 minutes limited parking with no return within 90 minutes</b>		
<b>No.</b>	<b>location</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	Kirk Ports car park, North Berwick	Introduce timed restriction

<b>Appendix F</b>		
<b>Seasonal 3 hour parking limit</b>		
<b>No.</b>	<b>location</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	Glebe car park, North Berwick	Introduce seasonal restriction