

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

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COMMITTEE: **Environment, Planning and Infrastructure**

DATE: **18<sup>th</sup> January 2011**

DIRECTOR: **Gordon McIntosh**

TITLE OF REPORT: **Various small scale traffic management and development associated proposals (New Works)**

REPORT NUMBER: **EPI/11/016**

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**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report is to advise Committee of the need for various small scale traffic management measures identified by officers, residents, Local members, emergency services etc and verified as necessary through surveys by officials. It also brings forward proposals associated with new development as part of the development management process.

In addition to these measures, this report now also includes proposals for individual parking spaces for Blue Badge holders which also require to be progressed through the normal legal process for the required Traffic Regulation Order.

**2. RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Committee:

1. Approve the proposals in principle
2. Instruct the appropriate officers to commence the necessary legal procedures of preliminary statutory consultation for the traffic regulation orders required as described in this report. If no significant objections are received, then progress with the public advertisement and report the results to a future meeting of this Committee.
3. Instruct the appropriate officers to commence the combined statutory consultation for the traffic regulation order for the list of Blue Badge parking spaces and report back to a future meeting of this Committee.

### 3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The current Five Year Savings Plan has identified savings from the Road Safety and Traffic Management capital budget. There will also be a comprehensive review of the Capital Plan which could result in proposals that are put forward at this time not being progressed due to the budget restraints.

Locations marked with circular bullet points are to be funded from the Road Safety and Traffic Calming capital budget beyond 2010/11 where possible, otherwise they will be withdrawn.

The current proposals are estimated at **£5,677**, however, withdrawing the proposals at Victoria Street / Berrywell Gardens would reduce the estimate to **£4,777**.

Those marked with a diamond will be funded by the developer and those marked with an arrow are to be funded from the current disabled parking revenue budget and is estimated at **£7,500** for this cycle. Funding is available within the disabled parking revenue budget to implement these proposals.

### 4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There is a risk that any approved traffic regulation orders may have to re-enter the legislative process if they are unable to be implemented within the statutory implementation time of 2 years from the start of public consultation if funding is insufficient.

### 5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

There are traffic management proposals for five locations brought forward during the course of routine examination of road safety and traffic flows and five proposals resulting from planning applications. There are also three applications for blue badge spaces which meet the current criteria.

<b>Key:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Funded from the Non-housing Road Safety and Traffic Calming capital budget</li><li>❖ Funded by the developer</li><li>➤ Funded from the current Disabled Parking revenue budget</li><li>○ No funding required</li></ul>

- **Gladstone Place, Woodside** – Proposed “At any time” waiting restrictions.

Following concerns raised by Grampian Fire and Rescue regarding access to Gladstone Place, surveys were carried out along Gladstone Place and surrounding streets. It was found that vehicles were parking in such a manner that they were effectively obstructing access to this street for any HGVs including fire appliances or other emergency vehicles.

Letters were then distributed to all the residents in the street asking them to park on one side of the road instead of progressing waiting restrictions, and that we would re-survey the street after a few months to see if there had been any improvement.

Unfortunately, there was not enough of an improvement to leave the street unrestricted and so this proposal is being brought forward to ensure the Fire and Rescue have adequate access. From the surveys it was found that there was enough room to accommodate all the vehicles currently parking on one side of the road leaving clear access for larger vehicles.

The proposals are indicated on the plan below and estimated at £1,800.

Elected members – Adam, Fletcher, Kirsty West

- **Cromwell Road** – Proposed waiting restrictions Mon – Fri; 8am to 6pm.

After the implementation of the neighbouring parking controls, Zone X, in the west end of the City, there was the expected decanting of a number of commuter vehicles to the periphery of the Zone. This has been very evident in Cromwell Road. Cromwell Road is a bus route and not quite wide enough to allow parking on both sides of the street whilst retaining enough width for access for the buses.

Because of the severity of the situation a temporary Traffic Regulation Order has been made to restrict parking along the north side, Mon – Fri, 8am to 6pm to be implemented whilst the permanent Order is progressed.

The proposals are indicated on the plan below and estimated at £1,836.

Elected members – Farquharson, Greig, Jennifer Stewart, John West

- **Victoria Street/Berrywell Gardens, Dyce** – Proposed “At any time” and “Mon – Sat, 7am to 9:30am” waiting restrictions.

The Road Safety & Traffic Management Team have observed delays in the AM peak period at the Victoria Street / Pitmedden Road junction in Dyce caused by parked vehicles on Victoria Street on the southbound approach to the traffic signals.

During the AM Peak there is a high volume of traffic turning right from Victoria Street into Pitmedden Road. This traffic queues back from the junction during each cycle of the traffic signal sequence until the right turn indicative arrow is displayed and the junction begins to clear. The existing waiting restrictions on the southbound side of Victoria Street currently extend a distance of 15 metres back from the stop line at the junction. The queue of right turning vehicles is frequently longer than this and therefore any traffic travelling southbound on Victoria Street intending to continue straight ahead through the junction is often impeded by one or two parked vehicles.

The solution to these delays, and to increase the flow of traffic through the junction for southbound traffic as described, is to provide a further section of waiting restrictions in the morning peak from the existing restrictions northwards to Berrywell Gardens on the eastern side of Victoria Street. These should be operational between the hours of 7am and 9.30am, Monday to Saturday and the existing restriction should have the start time extended in the AM peak to 7am rather than the existing 8am Monday - Saturday.

“At any time” restrictions are also proposed at the Victoria Street / Berrywell Gardens junction to aid visibility for drivers exiting Berrywell Gardens.

The proposals are indicated on the plan below and estimated at £900.

**Although a proposal and solution has been identified, due to financial restraints it is now proposed that no action be taken on these proposals at this time.**

Elected Members: Clark, Crockett, McDonald, Penny

- **Great Southern Road at Bloomfield Place** - Proposed “At any time” waiting restrictions.

Currently vehicles are parking round the slip road junctions on the south side of Great Southern Road beside the entrance to Bloomfield Court. This parking is forcing the larger refuse and delivery vehicles over the kerbs when taking access to Bloomfield Court. Swept path analysis of this junction confirms that these larger vehicles require these junctions to be kept clear of parked vehicles to gain unobstructed access.

This current over-run at these junctions is causing the kerbs and adjacent gullies to be damaged. It is felt that it would be more cost-effective to deter the parking with short sections of “At any time” waiting

restrictions and reduce the over-run at the junctions than to repeatedly repair the kerbs/gullies.

“At Any Time” waiting restrictions are therefore proposed at the Great Southern Road inset road (South side of Great Southern Road) and Bloomfield Place.

The proposals are indicated on the plan below and estimated at £690.

Elected members – Allan, Cormack, Donnelly, Kiddie

- **Ash-hill Road** - Proposed “At any time” waiting restrictions.

Complaints were received from residents in the area about the visibility for drivers travelling southwards on Ash-hill Road. These drivers cannot see vehicles approaching from the south on this section which is only wide enough for one vehicle at a time. We therefore propose to extend the “At any time” waiting restrictions to allow drivers the opportunity to pull in and wait for any vehicles to pass.

The proposals are indicated on the plan below and estimated at £56.

Elected members – Adam, Fletcher, Kirsty West

- **Pitstruan Terrace/Salisbury Terrace** - Proposed “At any time” waiting restrictions.

Currently, vehicles are being parked on both sides of Pitstruan Terrace, in particular in the evenings.

Concerns have been raised by a resident in Pitstruan Terrace regarding emergency access to the street. Grampian Fire and Rescue were asked to assess this location with a view to emergency access.

They carried out several surveys along this street at various times of the day. It was found that although they could get access along the length of the street, they would be unable to operate their equipment due to the parking on both sides of the street. This is a particular problem in the evenings as vehicles are decanted from the parking controls closeby.

With this in mind, and in consultation with the Fire and Rescue Service, it is proposed to progress waiting restrictions at the unadopted lane to create a working space for the service should they be called to this location. Existing restrictions at either end of Pitstruan Terrace allows working space at either end of the street.

At the request of Grampian Fire and Rescue a swept path analysis was carried out at the junction with Salisbury Terrace which confirmed the need for further restrictions on the west side of Salisbury Terrace to facilitate access into Pitstruan Terrace at its west end.

The proposals are indicated on the plan below and estimated at £395.

Elected members – Cassie, Wisely, Yuill

- ❖ **Justice Mill Lane/Hardgate** – “At any time” waiting restrictions, Mon – Fri; 8am to 6pm waiting restrictions, Disabled bays, Pay and Display bays.

Approval has been given to the development of offices and a hotel on the site on Justice Mill Lane at the Hardgate. The restrictions that were there prior to the development now have to be altered to accommodate the new layout.

Unfortunately the developer did not approach this team in time to have the restrictions altered prior to the opening of the hotel and so a Temporary traffic regulation order has been implemented to manage the parking until a permanent order can be put in place.

These are the restrictions for this permanent Order

Elected members – Allan, Cormack, Donnelly, Kiddie

- ❖ **Justice Mill Lane** – proposed “At any time” waiting restrictions.

This development includes an adjusted layout for the access to the underground car-park associated with the office development. Again a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order has been progressed to put in place restrictions until these restrictions are progressed through this permanent Order.

The proposals are indicated on the plan below.

Elected members – Allan, Cormack, Donnelly, Kiddie

- ❖ **Minto Drive, Aberdeen College** – Revocation of existing “At any time” waiting restrictions.

A new training facility is being built on this existing site with a new access road from Minto Drive. The existing bell mouth access, also on Minto Drive, is no longer required and the “At any time” waiting restriction protecting this access requires to be revoked.

The extents of the revocation is indicated on the plan below

Elected members – Cooney, Dean, McCaig

- ❖ **Woodend, Tesco Development**

As part of the proposal for the development of the old Fernielea Primary School to a Tesco Store, there are proposals to install signals at the Stronsay Drive/Stronsay Place/Eday Road junction and also at the King’s Gate/Stronsay Drive junction

**Plan 1** – Proposed “At Any Time” waiting restrictions.

To facilitate these signals and the advance stop lines required, the “At any time” waiting restrictions require to be extended on all four legs to keep the queues clear of possible parked cars

**Plan 2** – Proposed “At Any Time” waiting restrictions and right-turn prohibitions.

Again the signals require the extended length of waiting restrictions at the Stronsay Drive junction and new restrictions at the Angusfield Avenue junction. The geometry of the staggered junction at Stronsay Drive and Westholme Avenue require that the right-turn movement into Westholme Avenue from King’s Gate and the right-turn movement from Westholme Avenue into King’s Gate (eastbound) be prohibited to maximize traffic flow and safety at this location.

The proposals are indicated on the plans below.

Elected members – Ironside, Lord Provost Peter Stephen, Stuart Farquharson, Jennifer Stewart, Greig, John West

➤ **Disabled parking bays to be provided through the Disabled Persons Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009**

There are twenty six (26) applications to be considered at this meeting. *(Plans are not included as, under normal circumstance, are located close to the properties.)*

**On-street parking** – 22 spaces

93 Middlefield Place	11 Gladstone Place, Woodside
19 Cowan Place	82 Inchbrae Drive
17 Cowan Place	51 Deevale Crescent
15 Angusfield Avenue	1 Kincorth Circle
60 Mansfield Road, Torry	3 Faulds Row
4 Ashley Gardens	13 Faulds Gate
5 Allan Street	203 Victoria Road, Torry
108 Walker Road	91 Rowan Road
24 Lerwick Road	76 Rowan Road
4 Gillahill Place	2 Whitestripes Drive
10 Rubislaw Terrace	6 Borrowstone Place

**Non-specific spaces** – 3 spaces

Cults Primary School  
Jopps Lane (Grampian Society for the Blind) 2 No

**Off-street parking** – 1 space

10 Stewart Park Place

There are an additional 17 existing spaces to be considered which fall within the proposed area of controlled parking around the University of Aberdeen’s King’s College campus. It is proposed to formalise these bays at the time of the implementation of the parking controls. The locations of these bays are indicated below:

**On-street parking** – 15 spaces

67 Bedford Road	78 Bedford Road
11 Dunbar Street	104-106 High Street
77 Regent Walk	113 Regent Walk
66 School Drive	151 School Drive
106 School Drive	153 School Drive
120 School Drive	122 School Drive
69 School Drive	73 School Drive
83 School Drive	

**Off-street parking** – 2 spaces

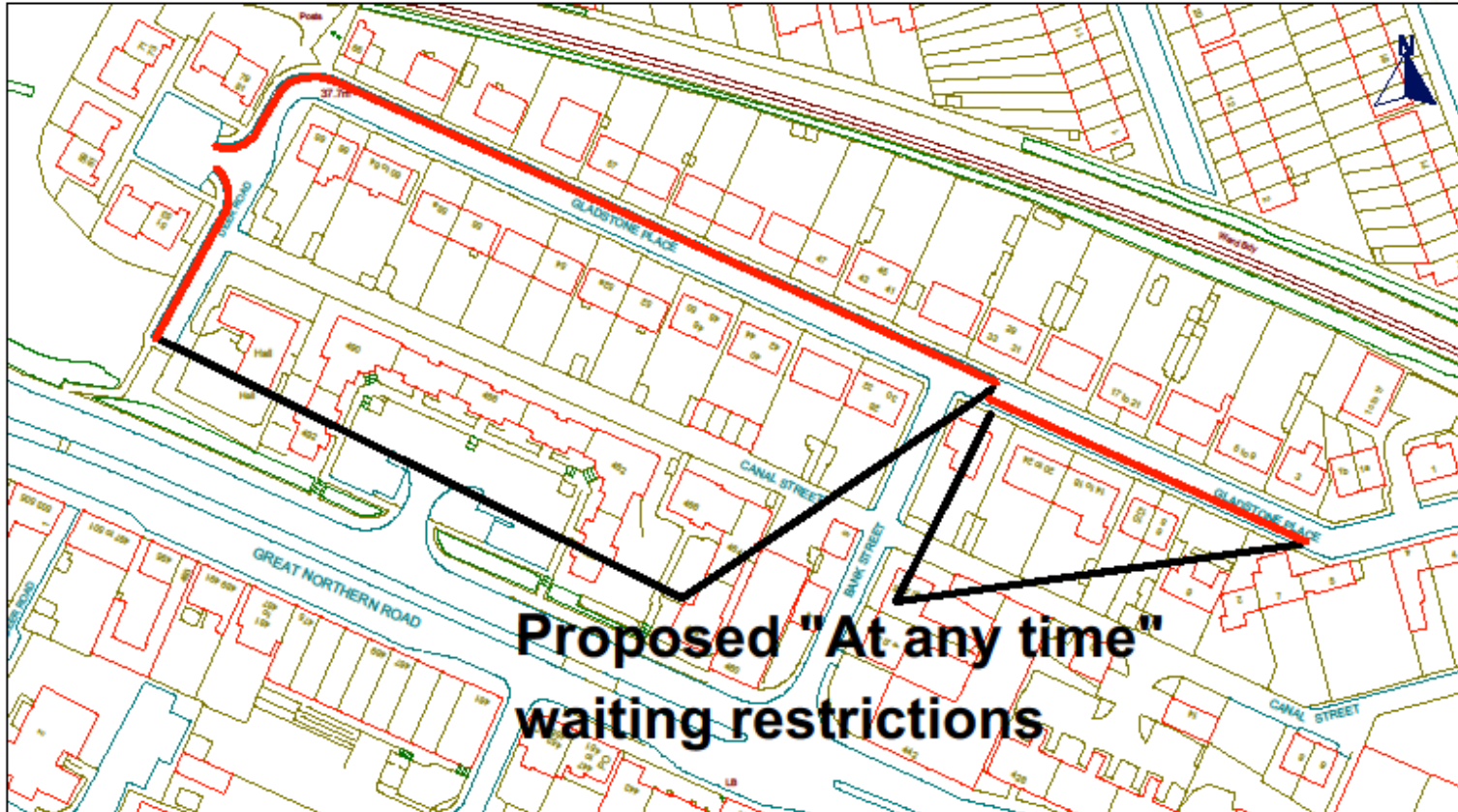
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55 Wingate Road



- **Gladstone Place, Woodside** – Proposed “At any time” waiting restrictions



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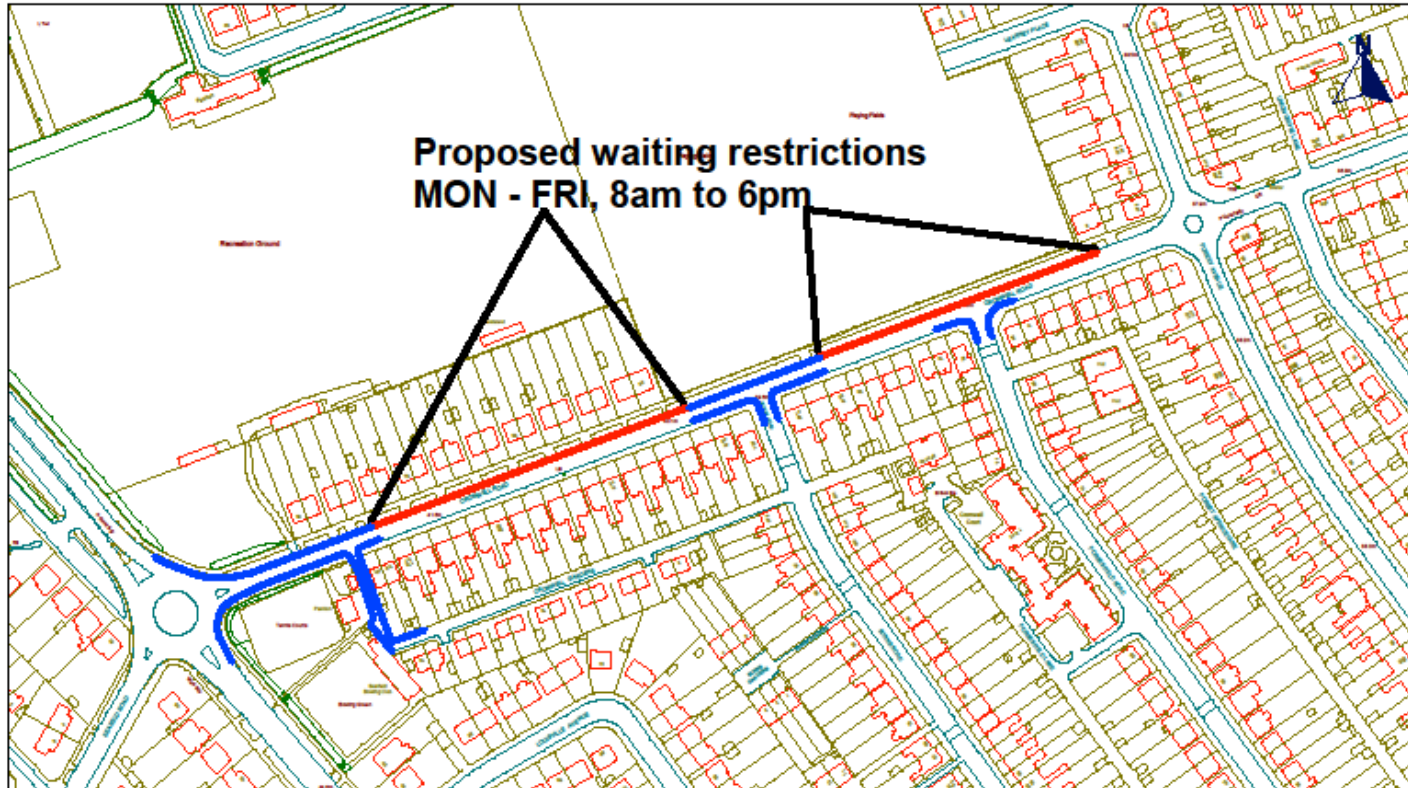
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- **Cromwell Road** – Proposed waiting restrictions Mon – Fri; 8am to 6pm



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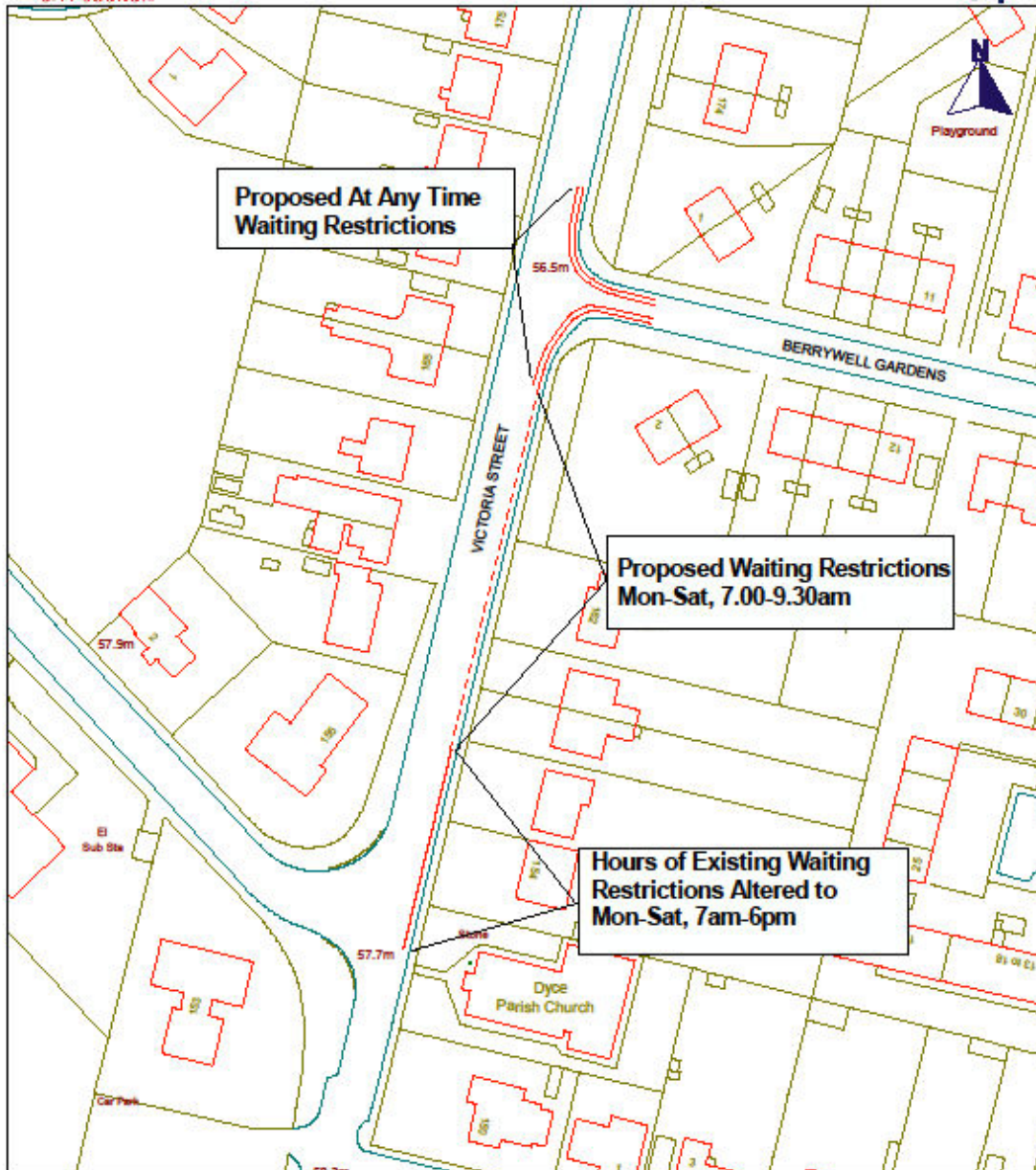
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- **Victoria Street/Berrywell Street, Dyce** – Proposed “At any time” and “Mon – Sat; 7am to 9:30am” and “Mon – Sat; 7am to 6pm” waiting restrictions



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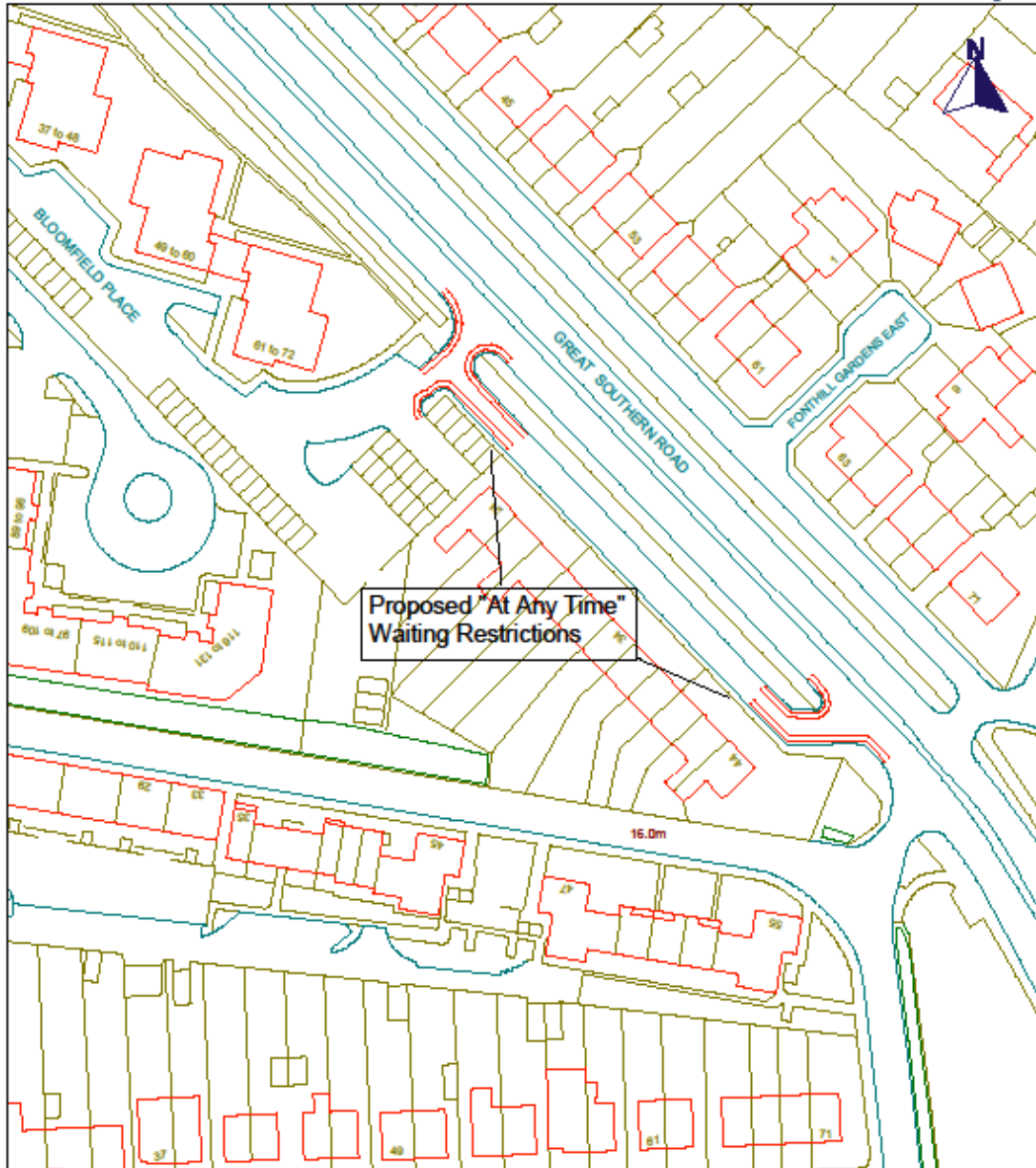
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- **Great Southern Road at Bloomfield Place** - Proposed "At any time" waiting restrictions



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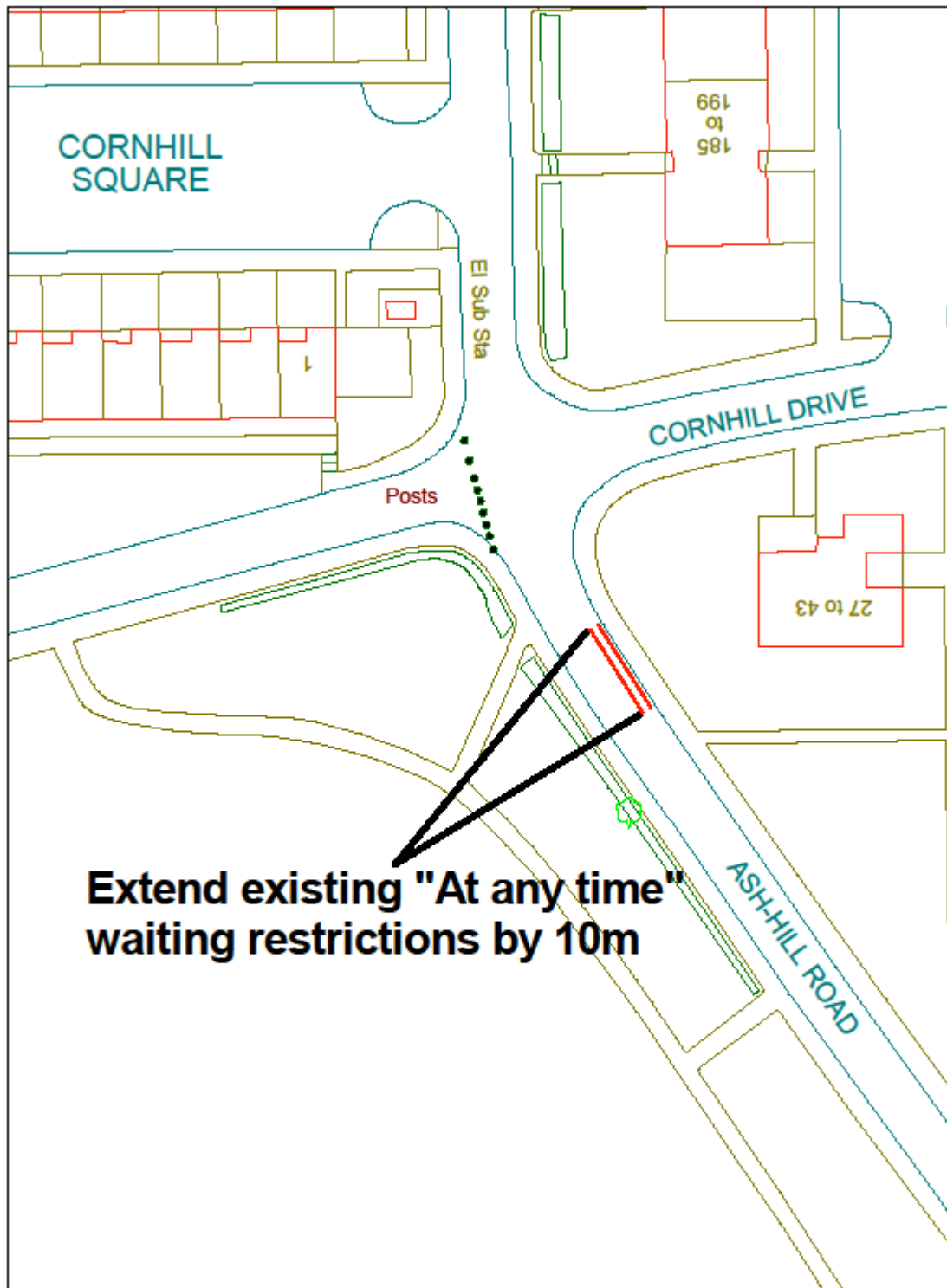


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- **Ash-hill Road** - Proposed "At any time" waiting restrictions



**Extend existing "At any time"  
waiting restrictions by 10m**

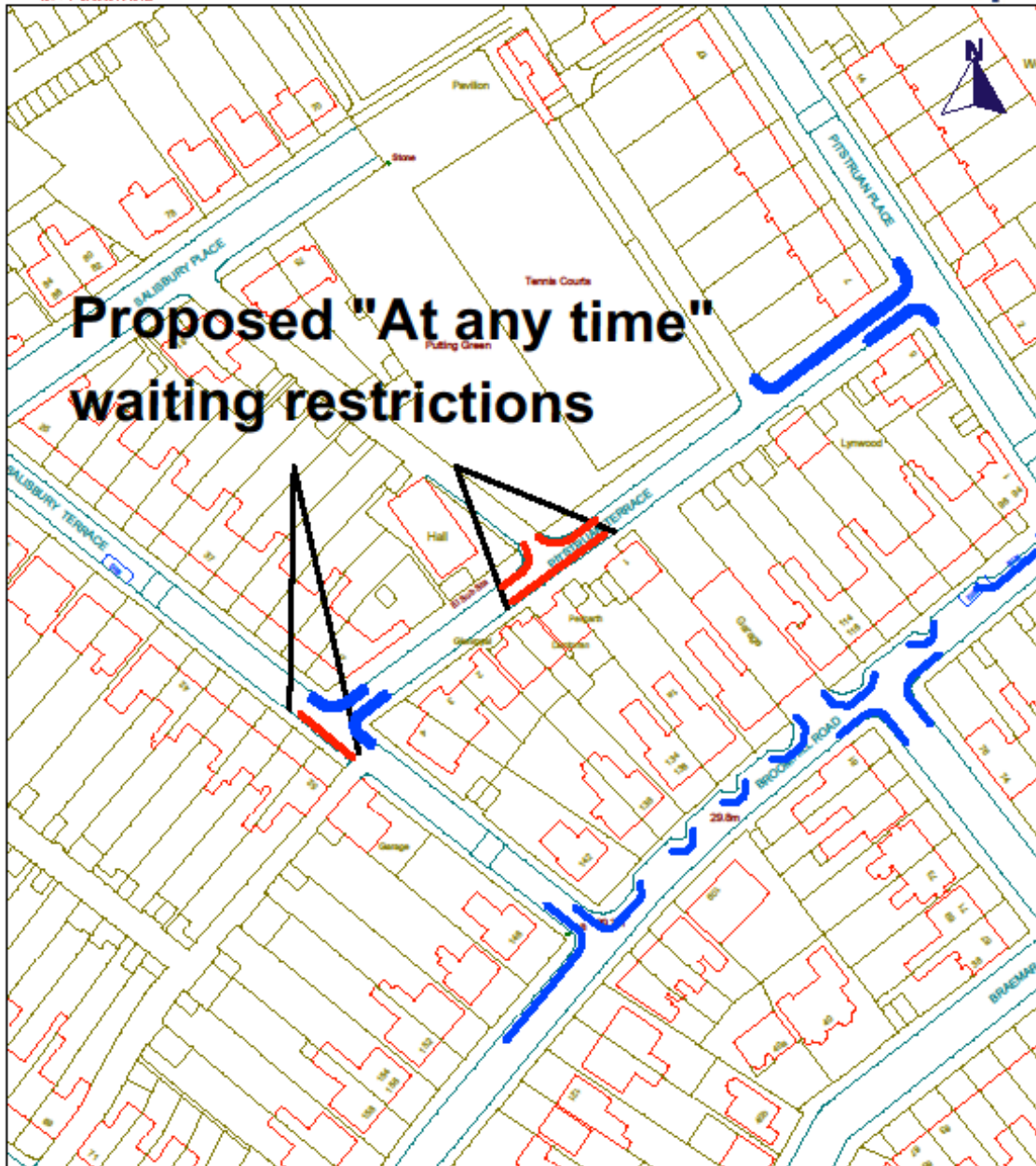
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- **Pitstruan Terrace/Salisbury Terrace** - Proposed "At any time" waiting restrictions



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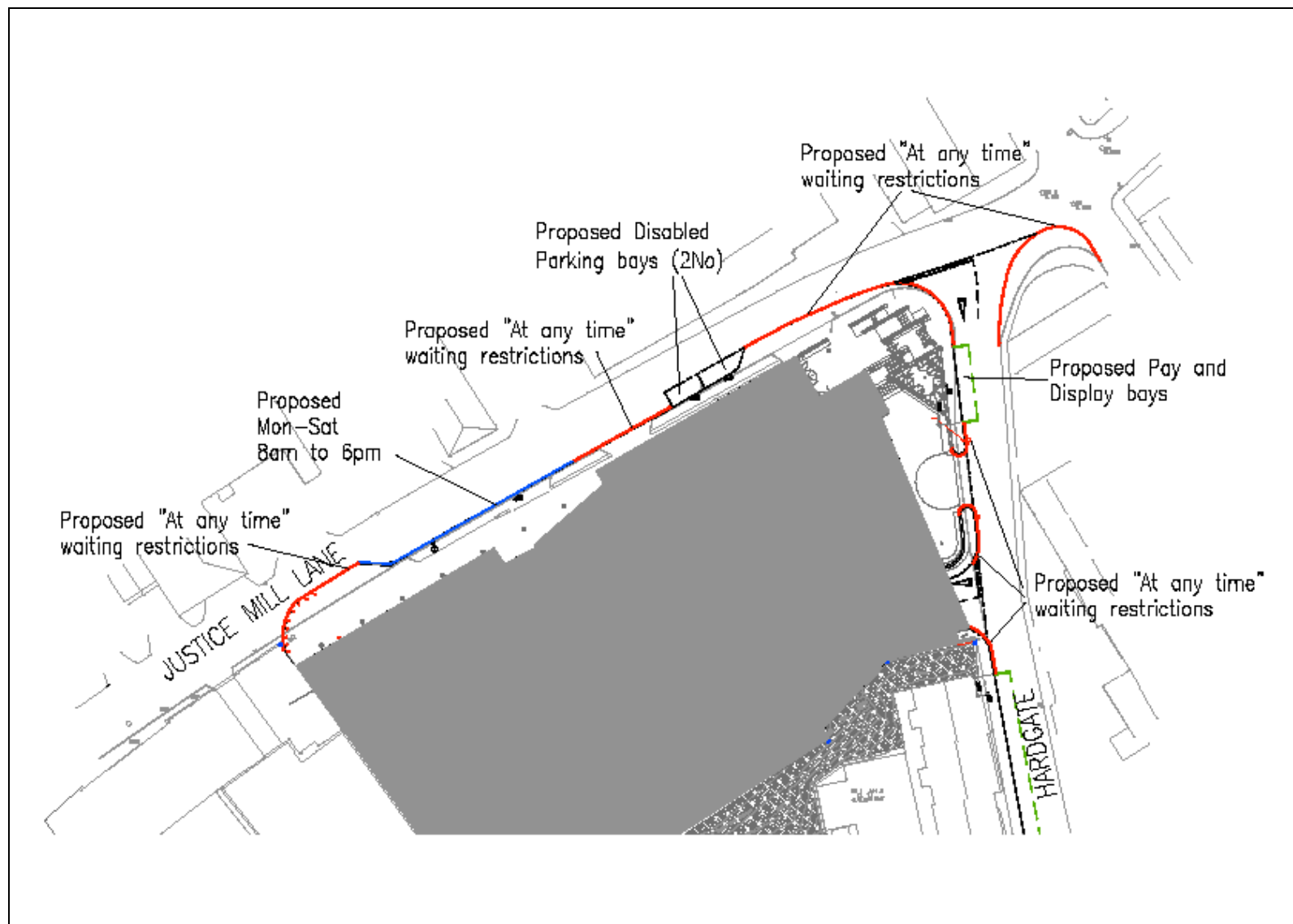
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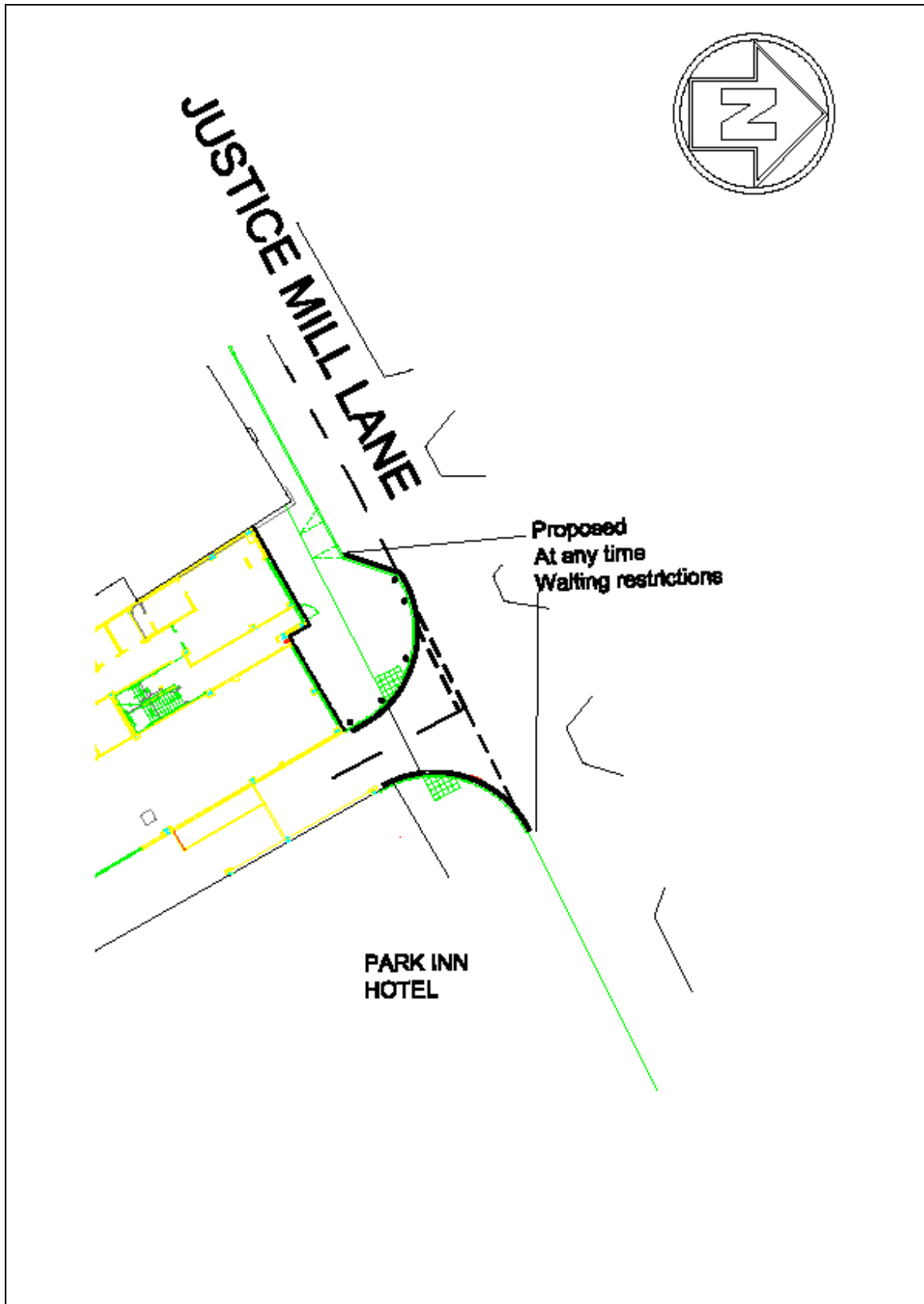
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- ❖ **Justice Mill Lane/Hardgate** - - "At any time" waiting restrictions, Mon – Sat; 8am to 6pm waiting restrictions, Disabled bays, Pay and Display bays; Mon – Sat 8am to 8pm.

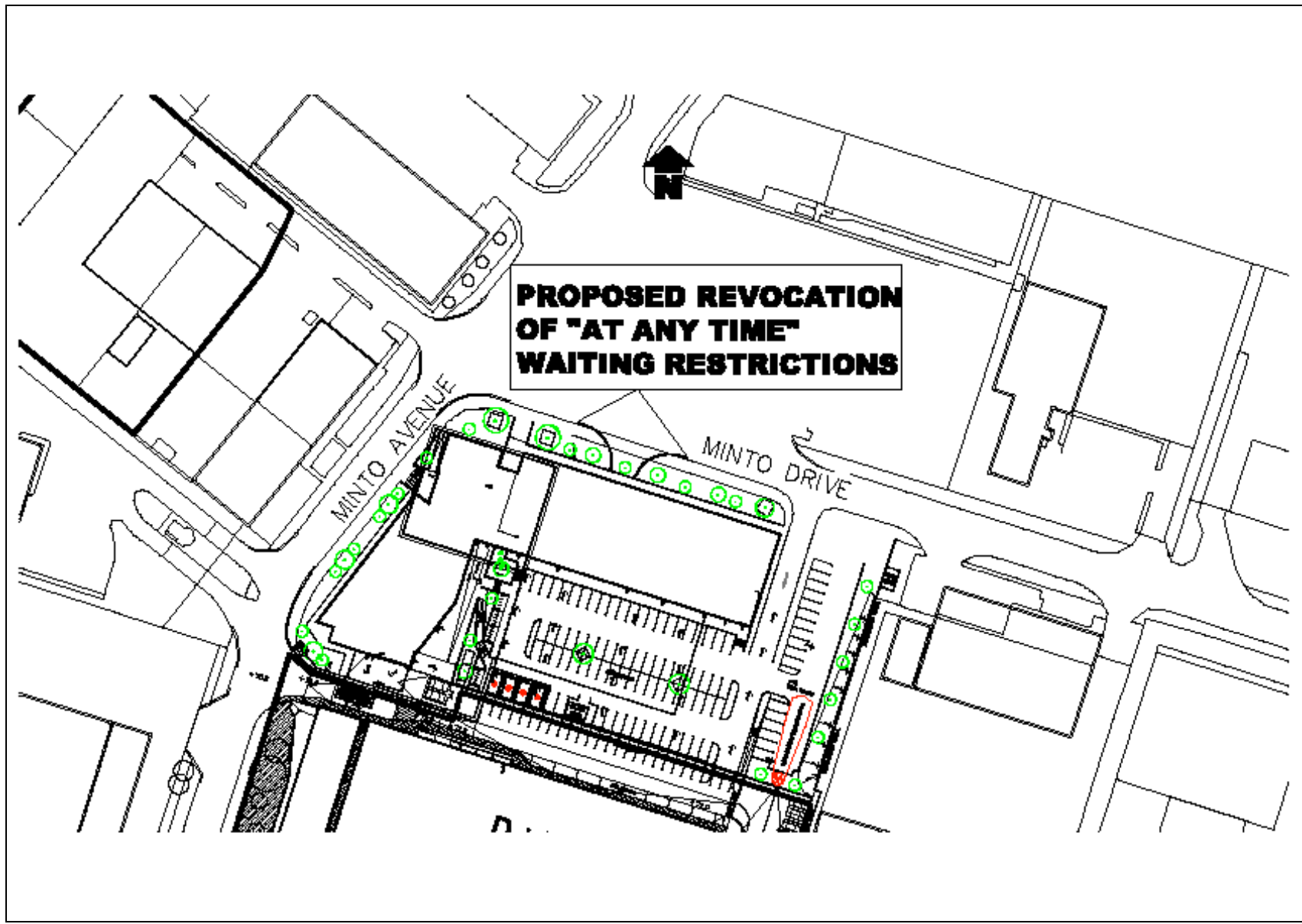


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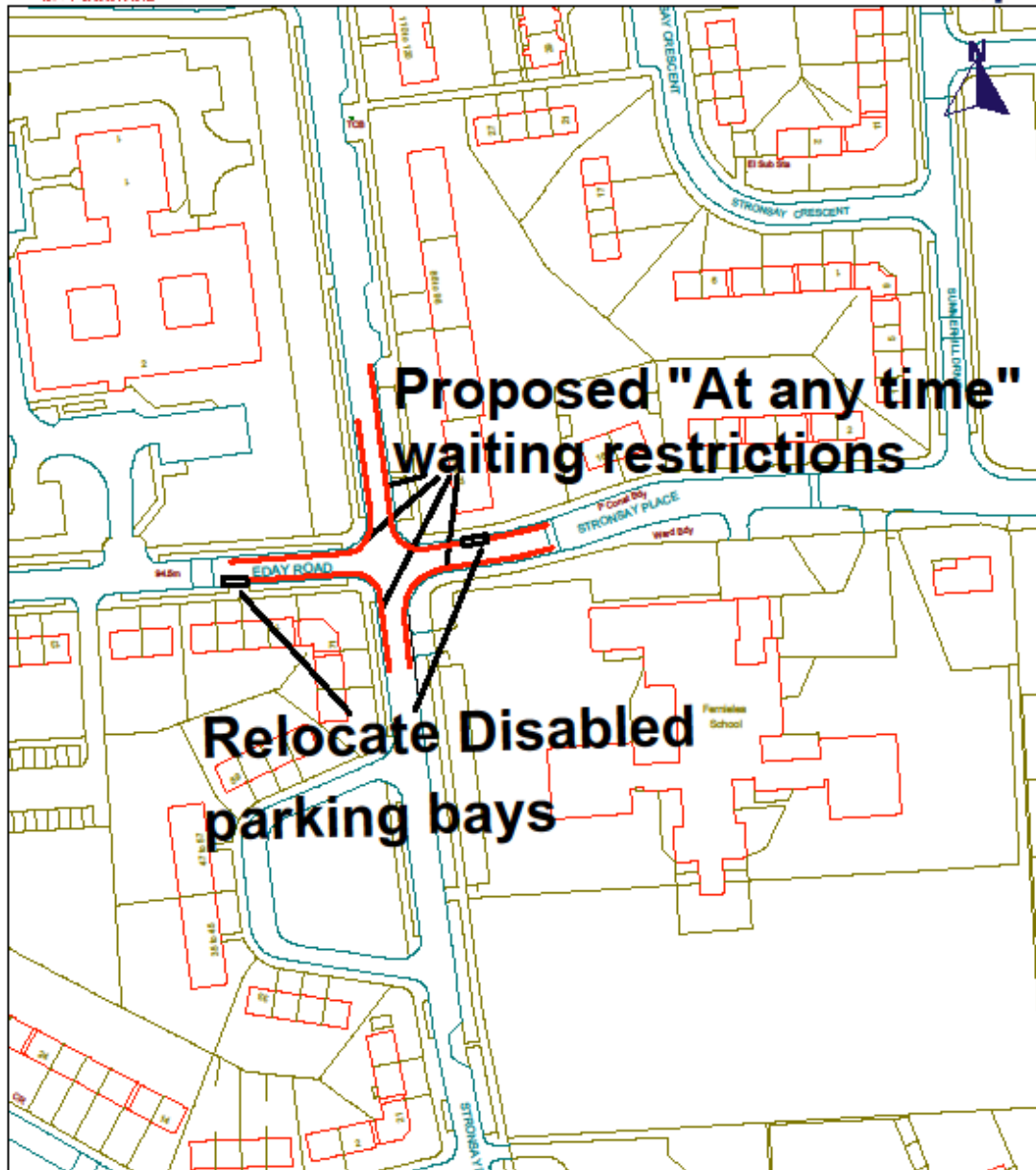
❖ Minto Drive, Aberdeen College – Revocation of existing “At any time” waiting restrictions



- ❖ **Woodend, Tesco Development** – Proposed At any time waiting restrictions, proposed disabled spaces and right-turn prohibitions.  
**Plan 1** – Proposed “At Any Time” waiting restrictions and disabled spaces



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**Title:** Stonsay Drive Eday Road - Proposed "At any time" waiting restrictions and disabled spaces

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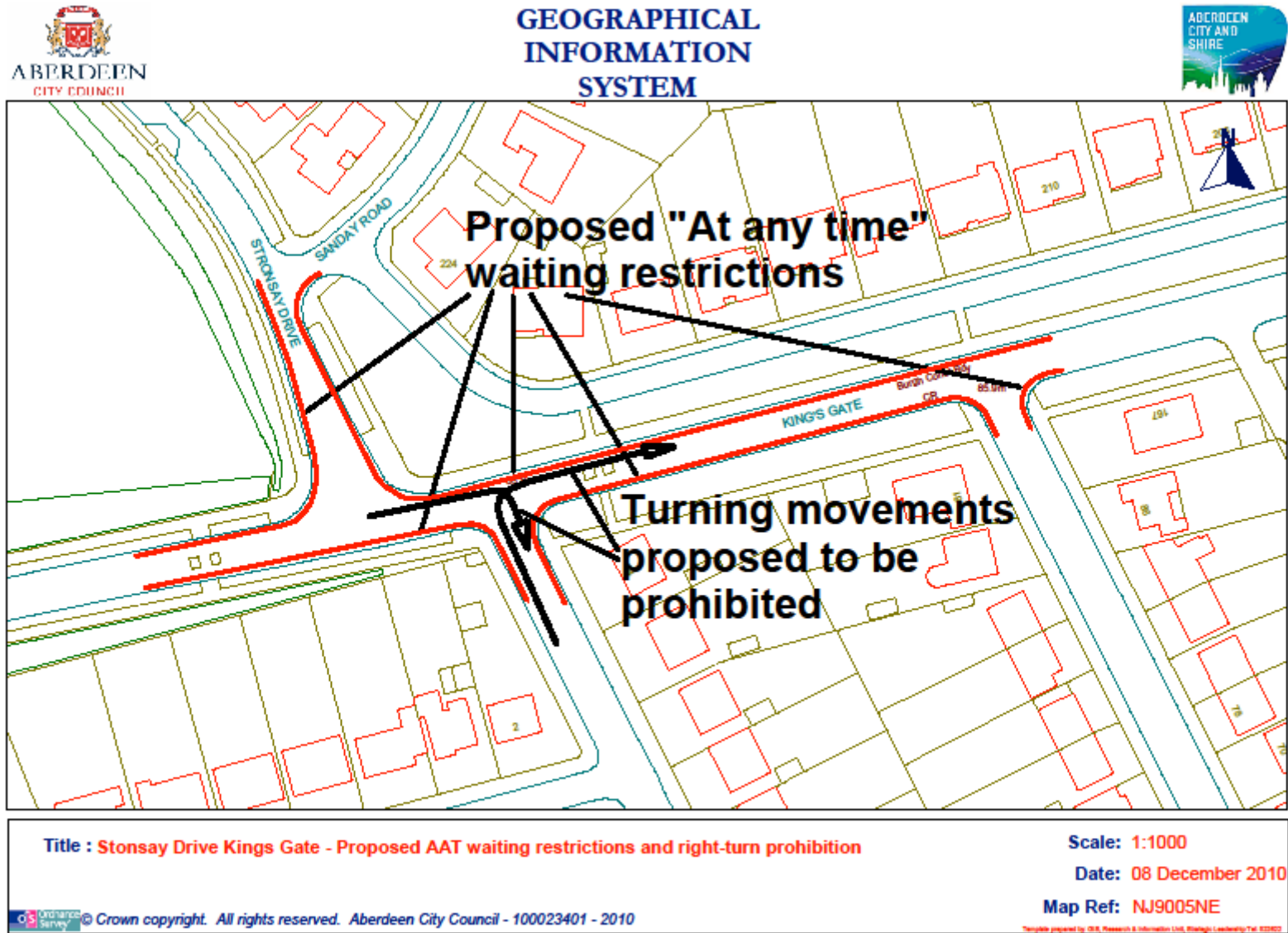
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- ❖ **Woodend, Tesco Development** – Proposed At any time waiting restrictions, proposed disabled spaces and right-turn prohibitions.  
**Plan 2** – Proposed “At Any Time” waiting restrictions and prohibition of right –turns



## **6. IMPACT**

This report meets with the local Community Plan objectives to continually improve road safety and maximise accessibility for pedestrians and all modes of transport.

The proposals are in line with the Councils Transportation Strategy to improve safety for all road users by continuing to reduce the number of casualties in traffic collisions.

It is also in accordance with the administration's Vibrant, Dynamic and Forward Looking, under the heading of Transport and highlighted in Paragraph 7.

This report is likely to be of interest to the public in the streets affected by the proposals.

There is no Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment required as this report only recommends that these proposals progress to the Statutory Consultation process therefore there will be no changes effected as a result of the recommendations being approved by the Committee

## **7. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

N/A

## Consultees comments

Council Leader – **Councillor John Stewart** - has been consulted and made no comment

### Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure Committee

**Convener: Councillor Kate Dean** - has been consulted and has made no comment

**Vice Convener: Councillor John West** - has been consulted and made no comment;

### Local Members

<b>Councillor George Adam</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor Yvonne Allan</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor Marie Boulton</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor Ronald Clark</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor John Corall</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor Bill Cormie</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor Barney Crocket</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor Martin Greig</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor Muriel Jaffrey</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor Alan Milne</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor George Penny</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor Richard Robertson</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
<b>Councillor Kevin Stewart</b>	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Scott Cassie	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Jillian Wisely	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Ian Yuill	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Irene Cormack	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Alan Donnelly	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor James Kiddie	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Neil Cooney	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Mark McDonald	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Jennifer Laing	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Len Ironside	Has been consulted and has no comment
Lord Provost Peter Stephen	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Wendy Stuart	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Neil Fletcher	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Kirsty West	Has been consulted and has no comment
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Councillor John Reynolds	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Jim Farquharson	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Jennifer Stewart	Has been consulted and has no comment
Councillor Willie Young	Has been consulted and has no comment

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### **Council Officers**

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Barry Jenkins, Head of Finance, Resources – has been consulted

Jane MacEachran, City Solicitor, Continuous Improvement has been consulted

Ciaran Monaghan, Head of Service, Office of Chief Executive has been consulted

Gordon McIntosh, Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure has been consulted

Hugh Murdoch, Head of Service, Shelter and Environment – has been consulted

Margaret Bochel, Head of Planning & Infrastructure, Strategic Leadership – has been consulted

Mike Cheyne, Roads Manager has been consulted

Neil Carnegie, Community Safety Manager has been consulted

Margaret Jane Cardno, Community Safety Manager has been consulted

Colin Walker, Community Safety Manager has been consulted

Dave Young, Account Manager, Service, Design and Development - has been consulted

Kathryn McFarlane, Service Co-ordinator

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