ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Enterprise Planning and Infrastructure
DATE	26 November 2009
DIRECTOR	Gordon McIntosh
TITLE OF REPORT	Kingswells Park and Ride Installation of Vehicle Height Control Barriers
REPORT NUMBER:	EPI/09/080

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To obtain Committee approval for the installation of vehicle height control barriers on the access roads to the Kingswells Park and Ride.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the Committee:

Note the reasons for installing the barriers and approve their installation at the earliest possible opportunity.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost of installing the barriers is £40,000 to be funded as follows.

£30,000 from the Nestrans Capital Budget 2009/10 £10,000 from FirstGroup Plc.

4. SERVICE & COMMUNITY IMPACT

The barriers are being proposed as a result of concerns regarding the number of travellers using the car park as a stopping site.

The barriers are designed to prevent unauthorised vehicles in excess of 2.1m in height entering the park and ride. This height restriction will prevent caravans and motor homes entering the site.

An EHRIA (Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment) has been carried out and is included as Appendix A to this report.

5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

An EHRIA assessment is included in as Appendix A

6. REPORT

There have been numerous incidents over recent years where members of the travelling community have used the car park as an unofficial stopping site. This has led to complaints and concerns from other car park users.

The local community council has also petitioned the Council for action to prevent the use of the car park as a stopping site.

The barriers have been designed to prevent caravans and mobile homes accessing the car park but to allow authorised service vehicles access via a lockable gate.

A general arrangement plan is attached to this report as Appendix B to this report.

7. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None