

11<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Agenda Item: 10

## **REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, PLACE**

#### **OBJECTIONS TO PERMANENT TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS AND BUS STOP CLEARWAYS – UPDATE ON GROUP MANAGER APPROVALS**

#### Purpose of the Report

1. To provide Communities and Place Committee with an update on operational decisions made when considering objections received through the consultation and advertisement of Permanent Traffic Regulation Orders and Bus Stop Clearways.

#### **Information and Advice**

- 2. A Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) is a legal order, which allows the County Council to regulate the speed, movement and parking of vehicles. Nottinghamshire County Council as Local Highway Authority has a responsibility to consider all objections received before making a TRO permanent. The introduction of a Bus Stop Clearway does not require a TRO; however the County Council has chosen to adopt a similar process to that used for TROs to consider objections made to the introduction of Bus Stop Clearways.
- 3. Under the current committee system officers have delegated authority to take day to day operational decisions and it is considered that many decisions on TRO's where objections are received fall within this definition. On 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012, Transport and Highways Committee approved an approach that permitted officers to deal with these matters for 3 objections or less with the following exceptions that are referred to the Committee for consideration, these exceptions include:
  - those which have received significant objections from consultees more than 3 objections from separate properties that cannot be resolved by amendments to the scheme;
  - those which have received objections from the local County Councillor/s, formal decisions of District or Parish Council/s or another local authority;
  - those which have received objections from Public Transport Operators or Associations, Road Haulage Association, Freight Transport Association, Highways Agency, Traffic Commissioner or emergency service;
  - those which have received objections by petition;
  - those which have been the subject of a public inquiry.
- 4. The process for officers to consider objections defined as operational decisions is by way of a report from Team Manager, Major Projects and Improvements (Via East Midlands) to the previous post of Group Manager, Environment and Highways (Nottinghamshire County Council). The reports are presented in a similar format to committee reports. This approach

was agreed at the Transport and Highways Committee on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2016 following the establishment of Via East Midlands Limited.

5. Following the reorganisation of County Council departments, which took effect on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017, the post Group Manager (Environment and Highways) no longer exists within the structure. Committee members are advised that reports will continue to be produced by Via with the consideration of objections being undertaken by the new position of Group Manager (Highways & Transport) within the Place department. This is the lead officer on the NCC retained client for highways.

# **Group Manager Reports**

6. The last update report to Committee with operational decisions was on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2017 with details of reports approved in quarters 2 and 3 of 2016-17. All operational decisions made for quarter 4 2016-17 and quarters 1 and 2 of 2017-18 are as follows:

Title	Number of Objections	Year (Quarter)	Sign-off Date
Proposed Bus Stop Clearway (Nottingham Road, Hucknall – Stop Reference AS0212) - Consideration of Objections	1	2016/17 (Q4)	3/1/17
B600 Church Road, Greasley (50mph Speed Limit) Order 2017 (5222) - Consideration of Objections	2	2016/17 (Q4)	30/1/17
Hucknall Road, Annesley and Newstead (50mph Speed Limit) Order 2017 (7184) - Consideration of Objections	3	2016/17 (Q4)	14/2/17
Proposed Bus Stop Clearway (Leeming Street, Mansfield – Stop References MA0553 and MA0554) - Consideration of Objections	1	2016/17 (Q4)	14/2/17
Proposed Bus Stop Clearway (Rosemary Street, Mansfield – Stop Reference MA0697) - Consideration of Objections	1	2016/17 (Q4)	14/2/17
Proposed Bus Stop Clearway (Wolfit Avenue, Newark – Stop Ref NS0704) - Consideration of Objections	1	2016/17 (Q4)	16/2/17
B6464 High Road and Meadow Lane, Chilwell (Prohibition Of Waiting And Parking Places) Traffic Regulation Order 2017 (5223) - Consideration of Objections	2	2016/17 (Q4)	16/2/17
A57 Worksop Road, Manton, Worksop (50mph Speed Limit) Order 2017 (1193) - Consideration of Objections	1	2017/18 (Q1)	4/4/17
B600 Alfreton Road and Sandhill Road, Underwood (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2017 (4192) - Consideration of Objections	1	2017/18 (Q1)	8/5/17
King Street, Lindley's Lane and Queen Street, Kirkby- In-Ashfield (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2017 (4196) - Consideration of Objections	2	2017/18 (Q1)	30/5/17

Forest Road and Sherwood Drive, Ollerton (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2017 (3241) - Consideration of Objections	3	2017/18 (Q1)	30/5/17
Greythorn Drive, Loughborough Road and Walcote Drive, West Bridgford (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2017 (8261) - Consideration of Objections	2	2017/18 (Q1)	12/6/17
Blidworth Road (B6020), Derby Road (A611) And Diamond Avenue (B6020), Kirkby In Ashfield (40mph Speed Limit) Order 2017 (4194) - Consideration of Objections	1	2017/18 (Q1)	14/6/17
Proposed Bus Stand 9am To 6pm (Appleton Gate, Newark) - Consideration of Objections	1	2017/18 (Q1)	15/6/17
Palmerston Street, Underwood (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2017 (4193) - Consideration of Objections	1	2017/18 (Q1)	22/6/17
Proposed Bus Stop Clearways (Surgeys Lane, Arnold - GE0356 and Westdale Lane West, Mapperley - GE0525) - Consideration of Objections	3	2017/18 (Q2)	15/8/17

7. For further information the table below summarises the approximate numbers of TROs and bus stop clearways that were processed in the last three years together with the number of objection reports considered by either Communities and Place Committee or the Group Manager for Environment and Highways.

Year	Number of TROs and Bus Stop Clearways	Reports Considered by Delegated Officer	Reports Considered by Transport and Highways (pre- June 17) or Communities and Place (from June 17)
2017/18 (Q1 & Q2)	54	9	2
2016/17	143	17	18
2015/16	135	27	28
2014/15	165	18	19

### **Other Options Considered**

8. No other options were considered; the process was agreed at Transport and Highways Committee on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012 and 21<sup>st</sup> September 2016.

### **Reasons for Recommendations**

9. To ensure that objections to permanent TRO's are appropriately and efficiently considered.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

10. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

#### **Financial Implications**

11. The majority of TRO's are funded by the Local Transport Plan capital programme with a small number funded through revenue budgets or charged to third parties if development related. There are no direct financial implications for this report.

#### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

#### It is **recommended** that:

1) Committee endorse the decisions made by officers in quarter 4 of 2016-17 and quarters 1 and 2 of 2017-18.

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#### Name and Title of Report Author

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### Constitutional Comments (SJE – 31/10/2017)

12. This decision falls within the Terms of Reference of the Communities & Place Committee to whom responsibility for the exercise of the Authority's functions relating to the management of highways (including traffic management and residents' parking schemes) has been delegated.

### Financial Comments (GB 26/10/2017)

13. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

#### **Background Papers**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

All relevant documents for the proposed scheme are contained within the scheme file which can be found in the Major Projects and Improvements Team at Trent Bridge House, West Bridgford.

Specific reports include:

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# Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

County Councillors - Countywide