



**13<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

**Agenda Item: 6**

## **REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR, HIGHWAYS**

### **OBJECTIONS TO PERMANENT TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS – UPDATE ON SERVICE DIRECTOR APPROVALS**

#### **Purpose of the Report**

1. To provide Transport and Highways Committee with an update on operational decisions made when considering objections received through the consultation and advertisement of Permanent Traffic Regulation Orders.

#### **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.
3. To avoid undue delays and for the efficiency of Committee on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012, Transport and Highways Committee approved an approach that permitted officers to determine, as operational matters, TROs with three objections or fewer with the following exception that are referred to the Committee for consideration, these include:
  - those which have received significant objections from consultees – more than three 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 current process for considering objections by officers is a report from Team Manager, Major Projects and Improvements to the Service Director for Highways. These are presented in a similar format to committee reports.

## Service Director Reports

5. Reports determined by officers during the last year as follows:

Title	Number of Objections	Year (Quarter)	Sign-off Date
B6041 (Farmers Branch and Kilton Hill, Worksop) and B6045 (Blyth Road, Worksop) Speed Limit Order 2014 (1163)	1	2014-15 (1)	08/04/14
Nottingham Road and Wesleyan Chapel Walk, Stapleford (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (5162)	3	2014-15 (1)	02/05/14
Bembridge Court and Derby Road, Bramcote (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (5156A)	3	2014-15 (1)	02/05/14
Station Road, Carlton (Prohibition of Waiting and Taxi Clearway) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (7161)	1	2014-15 (2)	28/08/14
Boat Lane, Hoveringham Road and Thurgarton Lane, Hoveringham – Speed Limit Order 2014 (3194)	2	2013-14 (4)	13/01/14
Portland Road and Pippin Close, Selston (prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (4116)	1	2013-14 (4)	13/01/14
Cliffhill Lane, Aslockton - Speed Limit Order 2014 (8201)	1	2013-14 (4)	03/03/14
Holles Street Area, Priorswell Road and Central Avenue, Worksop (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (1160)	1	2013-14 (4)	03/03/14
A6002 Bilborough Road, Trowell and A6002 Bilborough Road, Strelley (30mph and 40mph) Speed Limit Order 2014 (5154)	3	2013-14 (4)	10/03/14
Black Scotch Lane, Mansfield (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (2165)	3	2013-14 (4)	19/03/14

6. For information; in total approximately 160 TROs will be processed during 2014-15. It is anticipated that there will be 20 objection reports brought to the Transport and Highways Committee in the remainder of this financial year.

### Other Options Considered

7. No other options were considered, the process was agreed at Transport and Highways Committee on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

## **Reasons for Recommendations**

8. To ensure that objections to permanent TROs are appropriately and efficiently considered.

## **Statutory and Policy Implications**

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), 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**

10. The majority of TROs 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:

11. The Committee note all Traffic Regulation Orders where objections have been considered by officers;
12. The Committee's work programme to be updated to include quarterly reporting of officer decisions regarding Traffic Regulation Orders where objections are received on the first available meeting after each quarter.

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## **Constitutional Comments (SJE – 27/10/2014)**

13. This decision falls within the Terms of Reference of the Transport & Highways Committee to whom responsibility for the exercise of the Authority's functions relating to traffic management has been delegated.

## **Financial Comments (GB – 29/10/2014)**

14. 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:

- Proposed Change to the Process for Reporting Objections to Permanent Traffic Regulation Orders, Transport and Highways Committee Report (12 July 2012);
- B6041 (Farmers Branch and Kilton Hill, Worksop) and B6045 (Blyth Road, Worksop) Speed Limit Order 2014 (1163);
- Nottingham Road and Wesleyan Chapel Walk, Stapleford (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (5162);
- Bembridge Court and Derby Road, Bramcote (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (5156A);
- Station Road, Carlton (Prohibition of Waiting and Taxi Clearway) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (7161);
- Boat Lane, Hoveringham Road and Thurgarton Lane, Hoveringham – Speed Limit Order 2014 (3194);
- Portland Road and Pippin Close, Selston (prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (4116);
- Cliffhill Lane, Aslockton - Speed Limit Order 2014 (8201);
- Holles Street Area, Priorswell Road and Central Avenue, Worksop (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (1160);
- A6002 Bilborough Road, Trowell and A6002 Bilborough Road, Strelley (30mph and 40mph) Speed Limit Order 2014 (5154);
- Black Scotch Lane, Mansfield (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2014 (2165).

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

County Councillors - Countywide