



10th September 2015

Agenda Item: 7

REPORT OF INTERIM SERVICE DIRECTOR, HIGHWAYS

OBJECTIONS TO PERMANENT TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS – UPDATE ON SERVICE DIRECTOR APPROVALS (2015/16 QUARTER 1)

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 during quarter 1 of 2015/16.

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. Under the committee system officers have 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 12th July 2012, Transport and Highways Committee approved an approach that permits officers to deal with these matters where 3 objections or less are received with the following exceptions which are instead referred to the Committee for consideration, these 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 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. The last update to Transport and

Highways Committee detailing reports considered by the Service Director was on 21st May 2015 detailing those reports approved up to the end of Quarter 4 in 2014-15.

Service Director Reports

5. There have been 5 reports considered by the Service Director in Quarter 1 of 2015-16, details of which are as follows:

Title	Number of Objections	Sign-off Date
Forest Road / Stamper Crescent, Skegby (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2015 (4157)	2	12/05/15
Newdigate Street and Victoria Street, Kimberley (Prohibition of Waiting and No Stopping on Entrance Clearways) Traffic Regulation Order 2015 (5164)	1	12/05/15
Rufford Lane, Wellow (40mph Speed Limit and 30mph Speed Limit Extension) Traffic Regulation Order 2015 (3218)	3	13/05/15
B6016 Langton Hollow / Selston Road and Crescent Road (Various Speed Limits) Order 2015 (4135)	2	15/05/15
Botany Avenue, Marriott Avenue and Stockwell Gate, Mansfield (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2015 (2173)	3	18/05/15

6. For information during 2014/15 approximately 170 TRO's were consulted on and implemented. Of these 36 required reports to consider objections received. Through the agreed procedure 18 were considered by Transport and Highways Committee and 18 by the Service Director.

Other Options Considered

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

Reasons for Recommendations

8. To ensure that objections to permanent TRO's 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 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:

The Committee note all TROs where objections have been considered by officers.

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Constitutional Comments (SJE 14/08/2015)

11. As this report is simply to be noted by Committee, Constitutional Comments are not required.

Financial Comments (GB 14/08/2015)

12. 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:

- The Nottinghamshire County Council (Forest Road / Stamper Crescent, Skegby) (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2015 (4157)

- The Nottinghamshire County Council (Newdigate Street and Victoria Street, Kimberley) (Prohibition of Waiting and No Stopping on Entrance Clearways) Traffic Regulation Order 2015 (5164)
- The Nottinghamshire County Council (Rufford Lane, Wewlow) (40mph Speed Limit and 30mph Speed Limit Extension) Traffic Regulation Order 2015 (3218)
- The Nottinghamshire County Council (B6016 (Langton Hollow, Selston) and Crescent Road) (Various Speed Limits) Order 2015 (4135)
- The Nottinghamshire County Council (Botany Avenue, Marriott Avenue and Stockwell Gate, Mansfield) (Prohibition of Waiting) Traffic Regulation Order 2015 (2173)

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

Sutton in Ashfield North	Councillor Jason Zadrozny
Kimberley and Trowell	Councillor Ken Rigby
Rufford	Councillor John Peck
Mansfield West	Councillors Darren Langton and Diana Meale
Selston	Councillor Gail Turner