

**TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND PARKING REVIEW UPDATE**

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**1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides details of the parking review workshop for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area held earlier in the year; it also provides an overall programme for the review and consultation process.

In May 2014 Argyll and Bute Council were given approval from Scottish Government to implement Decriminalised Parking Enforcement (DPE). This means that Council Officers can issue penalty charge notices (PCNs) for any parking contravention on the road, as well as in off street council car parks covered with a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO). Many of Argyll and Bute Councils TROs go back several years, some decades. Given the introduction of DPE and the introduction by the Council of a Parking Policy last year, now is the ideal time to review parking which is being carried out to each of the 4 areas.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that Members note this report and approve consultation to Community Councils and stakeholders.

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### 2.0 INTRODUCTION

This report provides a summary of the various issues raised by Members at the parking review workshop held earlier this year; it also provides an overall programme for the parking review and consultation process.

### 3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Members note this report and approve consultation to Community Councils and stakeholders.

### 4.0 DETAIL

#### **Parking Review:-**

4.1 Members will be aware that a review of car parking, throughout Argyll and Bute, is currently being progressed. This process involved holding a series of workshop meetings, with Members and Officers, to discuss local parking-related issues in all four areas of Argyll and Bute.

4.2 At the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay car-parking workshops held earlier this year various aspects of parking in the area were discussed, both on-street and off-street parking. The workshop was held under the framework of the Councils parking policy approved last year.

4.3 The overall parking review programme is as follows:-

- Following this Area Committee Meeting and discussions arising, with Members' approval, a consultation document, outlining proposals, will be produced and circulated to Members prior to it being widely distributed to the public seeking views. The leaflet will also be forwarded to Community Councils and other stakeholders for comment.
- Following the consultation process, a final report will be presented to the November Area Committee with returned comments and recommendations.
- Finally, traffic orders will be processed as part of the legal process.

4.4 Following implementation of any changes, a review will be carried out to ensure any alterations have had a desired and positive effect.

## **5.0 CONCLUSION**

This report provides an update to Members on traffic management issues and the on-going parking review in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands

## **6.0 IMPLICATIONS**

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| 6.1 | Policy     | Parking Policy 2014  |
| 6.2 | Financial  | Any physical work required to be carried out on the roads network, i.e. signing and lining will be funded by the roads revenue budget. |
| 6.3 | Legal      | Traffic Regulation Orders will be implemented as necessary.  |
| 6.4 | HR         | None   |
| 6.5 | Equalities | None   |
| 6.6 | Risk       | Safer roads for all road users.  |
| 6.7 | CS         | None   |

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Appendix – Draft list of parking proposals discussed at the Working Group Meetings.

# Appendix

## **CAMPBELTOWN**

### **Esplanade –**

- Proposed echelon parking on the seaward side opposite the Aqualibrium.

### **Longrow –**

- Proposed one way system, direction of travel permitted northwards between Main Street and Aqualibrium Avenue.
- Review the parking 60 minute limit to identify if a different time limit would be more effective
- Re-align the Burnside Street/Longrow South junction to try and optimise visibility.

### **Burnside Car Park –**

- To remain a car park. Relocate the entrance of the Car Park to access via Burnside Street and remove the large planters to improve car parking area/possible event space.
- Consider the pedestrianisation of Harvey's Lane, Cross Street and part of Union Street with the possibility of providing access only for loading/unloading for service vehicles to adjacent premises.
- Temporary relocation of taxi rank on Main Street/Old Quay Head near the roundabout to become a permanent location.
- Union Street/Bolgam Street junction – existing parking restrictions to be reviewed.
- One way operation on Burnbank Street, permitted direction of travel southward from the A83 to Longrow. This could remove congestion and ease flow of traffic.

### **General -**

- New waiting restrictions at junctions within the Town Centre to be considered to alleviate poor visibility and keep vehicles clear of the drop kerb crossing points.

## **LOCHGILPHEAD**

- Introduce limited waiting outside the Bank of Scotland on Poltalloch Street (A83), a time limit to be decided. Consultation with Transport Scotland will be required.
- Extend the 30 minute limited waiting to the parking bays on both sides of the upper section of Argyll Street.
- Formalise the existing coach/lorry park in Lorne Street Car Park including the introduction of overnight charges.

## **INVERARAY**

- Reinstate the existing time limited waiting restriction on Main Street, to provide a turnover of vehicles. Consultation with Transport Scotland will be required.
- Inveraray coach/lorry park – ongoing discussions between Councils Estates Department and Argyll Estates Office regarding hours of operation, with proposed charges applying.

## **CAR PARKS GENERAL**

- 1.5t weight restriction to be removed for car parks as vehicle weights have increased since original order was raised.
- Change the order covering car parks to enable non-compliant vehicles to be issued with a FPN in free car parks