

Disabled Street Parking – Oban Lorn and the Isles – Variation Number 3

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 Argyll & Bute Council has received requests to introduce new disabled bays on the following streets in Oban – Drimvargie Road, Kerrera Terrace, Croft Road (Longsdale Crescent).
- 1.2 The provision of on-street disabled parking bays is governed by the Disabled Persons Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009.
- 1.3 Under this legislation, if a qualifying person makes a request for an on-street disabled parking bay and the local authority is able to identify a suitable location then there is a duty on the local authority to promote a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to provide the bays.
- 1.4 There were no objections to the proposals for Drimvargie Road or Kerrera Terrace.
- 1.5 There were six valid objections to the proposal to create disabled parking bay on the length of Croft Road, Oban adjacent to 50 Longsdale Crescent, Oban lodged during the statutory consultation.
- 1.6 Members are requested to consider the information contained within the report and either:
 - a) Agree to make the Argyll & Bute Council (Disabled Street Parking – Oban Lorn and the Isles Variation No 3) Order in its entirety as it stands , or,
 - b) Agree to make the Argyll & Bute Council (Disabled Street Parking – Oban Lorn and the Isles Variation No 3) Order with the exception of the proposed disabled parking bay on the length of Croft Road, Oban adjacent to 50 Longsdale Crescent, Oban.

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2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 Argyll and Bute Council proposes to make an amendment to an existing Order in accordance with the introduction of the Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009 and the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.
- 2.2 The amendment is required to accommodate requests to introduce new disabled bays on the following streets in Oban – Drimvargie Road, Kerrera Terrace and Croft Road (Longsdale Crescent).
- 2.3 The process has now reached the stage where representations by people wishing to object to the proposal are considered by the Area Committee.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Members are requested to consider the information contained within the report and either:
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 - b) Agree to make the Argyll & Bute Council (Disabled Street Parking – Oban Lorn and the Isles Variation No 3) Order with the exception of the proposed disabled parking bay on the length of Croft Road, Oban adjacent to 50 Longsdale Crescent, Oban.

4.0 DETAIL

- 4.1 The provision of on-street disabled parking bays is governed by the Disabled Persons Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009.
- 4.2 Under this legislation, if a qualifying person makes a request for an on-street disabled parking bay and the local authority is able to identify a suitable location then there is a duty on the local authority to promote a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to create the bays.

- 4.3 Three requests which met the above prerequisites have been received and the Disabled Street Parking – Oban Lorn and the Isles – Variation Number 3 Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) was drafted to create 3 new on-street disabled parking bays. The Location Plan in Appendix 1 refers.
- 4.4 There were no objections to the proposals for Drimvargie Road or Kerrera Terrace.
- 4.5 Six valid objections to the proposal to create disabled parking bay on the length of Croft Road, Oban adjacent to 50 Longsdale Crescent, Oban were lodged during the statutory consultation. In order to be valid, an objector must clearly state their name, address and grounds of objection.
- 4.6 This application was made on the basis that the parking available at the property is not suitable for the applicant and is supported by a letter from the applicant's GP and Occupational Therapist. The objections focus mainly on the availability of a private driveway.
- 4.7 The Traffic & Development Manager subsequently wrote the objectors to discuss the points raised and to see if the objections could be resolved.
- 4.8 The objectors wished to maintain their objections to the proposal and have been notified that the next stage in the process is for the Area Committee to consider the objections. A summary table of the objections has been included in Appendix 2.
- 4.9 For information, we have also received 21 letters in support of the Croft Road disabled bay application. A summary table of the support letters has been included in Appendix 3.
- 4.10 Members are requested to give the objections due consideration and to decide whether or not there are reasonable grounds to refuse the proposal to create disabled parking bay on the length of Croft Road, Oban adjacent to 50 Longsdale Crescent, Oban.

5.0 CONCLUSION

- 5.1 As there were no objections to the proposals, the disabled parking bays in Drimvargie Road and Kerrera Terrace should be created.
- 5.2 Depending on the outcome of the consideration of objections, the proposed disabled parking bay on the length of Croft Road, Oban adjacent to 50 Longsdale Crescent, Oban will either be included or excluded from the Argyll & Bute Council (Disabled Street Parking – Oban Lorn and the Isles Variation No 3) Order.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1	Policy:	Parking Policy 2014
6.2	Financial:	Any physical work required to be carried out i.e. signing and lining will be funded by the Roads Revenue Budget
6.3	Legal	Traffic Regulation Order will be implemented
6.4	HR	None
6.5	Equalities	None
6.6	Risk	None
6.7	Customer Service	None

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Location Plan

Appendix 2: Summary of Objections to disabled parking bay on the length of Croft Road, Oban adjacent to 50 Longsdale Crescent, Oban

Appendix 3: Summary of Support letters re disabled parking bay on the length of Croft Road, Oban adjacent to 50 Longsdale Crescent, Oban