BUTE AND COWAL AREA COMMITTEE

DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

7th AUGUST 2012

PROVISION OF BOLLARDS, RESTRICTION OF VEHICLE ACCESS TO ROTHESAY ESPLANDE AND DUNOON PARADE

1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 Introduction of Lockable Bollards to limit vehicular access at the above locations, to authorised users only.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members are asked to approve the installation of removable bollards on Rothesay Esplanade
- 2.2 Members are asked to approve the installation of removable bollards on Victoria Parade (Dunoon).

3.0 DETAILS

3.1 ROTHESAY.

- 3.1.1 Over the past few years various reports have been brought forward with proposals for limiting vehicular access and parking on Rothesay Esplanade. This has resulted in the placement of "Authorised Vehicles Only" advisory signage being erected at both ends. Parking still continues at this location.
- 3.1.2 At present the area designated as an amenity space and not governed by any local bylaws. Both formation of a new Bylaw or adding it to the Councils List of Roads and then raising a Traffic Regulation Order to prohibit vehicles would be a time consuming process. This could be in the region of 12+ months for either.
- 3.1.3 Bute Community Council have previously carried out a poll regarding preventing vehicles using the Esplanade and an over whelming majority were in favour of prohibiting vehicular access.
- 3.1.4 In light of the above a formal consultation has been carried out regarding the installation of bollards with Police; Coastguard, Ambulance and Fire Services. Only positive responses were received. These plans were also taken to Bute Community Safety Forum in June for consideration and approved by those in attendance. Vehicular access to the slip to the west will still be available.

3.2 DUNOON.

- 3.2.1 There have been concerns about the use of Victoria Parade by unauthorised vehicles. This like Rothesay Esplanade is a popular walking route for both residents and visitors to the area. Victoria Parade is classified as a footpath within the Councils List of Roads, however the introduction of removable bollards as a physical obstruction would be a more robust measure in controlling access.
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4.0 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 ROTHESAY . Permit the erection of bollards at the locations marked on App 1. Keys will be issued to emergency services and council services including Harbour Master.
- 4.2 DUNOON . Permit the erection of bollards at the locations marked on App 2. Keys will be issued to emergency services and council services including Pier Master.

Note only the northern section of the Parade has been dealt with in this detail. The southern section would require a more substantial configuration of bollards to prevent vehicles by-passing the roadway.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Policy none
- 5.2 Financial Funded from Revenue Maintenance Budget
- 5.3 Legal None
- 5.4 HR None
- 5.5 Equalities None
- 5.6 Risk Segregates Vehicles and Pedestrians in poplar locations.
- 5.7 Customer Service none

6.0 APPENDICES

6.1 App1 Rothesay Esplanade Bollard Locations App 2 Victoria Parade (Dunoon) Bollard Locations App3 Standard Detail of Bollard

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