

Agenda Item	6
Report No	RC/2/18

THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Committee: Ross and Cromarty Area

Date: 31 January 2018

Report title: 20mph Speed Limit Implementation

Report by: Director of Development and Infrastructure

1. Purpose/Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report is brought to Committee to update Members on the progress of the implementation of the Councils 20mph speed limit project in the Ross and Cromarty Area and seeks Members approval for the specific proposals detailed for Alness, Dingwall, Invergordon and Tain Road Traffic Regulation Order (RTRO).

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 The Committee is invited to approve the proposed RTRO for the following 20mph speed limits:
- Alness
 - Dingwall
 - Invergordon
 - Tain
- 2.2 Officers to implement the scheme in the event there are no sustained objections.
- 2.3 A further report will only be brought back to Committee in the event of sustained (relevant) objections.

3. Background

- 3.1 Capital funding for the implementation of 20mph speed limit schemes across the Highland Council Area has been approved at a level of £50,000 per annum until 2022/23. An additional £100k Carbon Clever Capital contribution funding was awarded to the project in November 2016.
- 3.2 The November 2016 (PDI/73/16) Road Safety Activities Update Paper details the outline and structure being used for the implementation of the 20mph project in Highland. **Appendix 3** of this paper details the schemes that are being worked on by the Road Safety Team for delivery.

4. Specific 20mph Speed Limit Schemes

- 4.1 Officers have met with Ward Members. Members will be able to comment further at Committee.
- 4.2 Alness
The scheme extent proposal is detailed in **Appendix 1**. The scheme will consist of gateway signage, roundels, 20mph repeater signs and Speed Indication Devices. In addition to this the possibility of the introduction of a pedestrian crossing to be located at the North end of the High Street is being investigated for implementation as part of this scheme. The scheme proposal was presented to Ward 6 Members at the Ward Business Meeting held on 15.01.18.
- 4.3 Dingwall
The scheme extent proposal is detailed in **Appendix 1**. The scheme will consist of gateway signage, roundels, 20mph repeater signs and Speed Indication Devices. The introduction of enhanced signage/lining at crossing points on Old Evanton Road is being investigated. The scheme proposal was presented to Ward 8 Members at the Ward Business Meeting held on 15.01.18.
- 4.4 Invergordon
The scheme extent proposal is detailed in **Appendix 1**. The scheme will consist of gateway signage, roundels, 20mph repeater signs, lining and Speed Indication Devices. In addition to this the introduction of lining/reinstating old hatching to narrow the carriageway width on the High Street is being investigated as part of the scheme. The scheme proposal was presented to the Ward 6 Members at the Ward Business Meeting held on 15.01.18.
- 4.5 Tain
The scheme extent proposal is detailed in **Appendix 1**. The scheme will consist of gateway signage, roundels, 20mph repeater signs and Speed Indication Devices. The scheme proposal was presented to Ward 7 Members at the Ward Business Meeting held on 8 January 2018.

5. Implementation Timescales

- 5.1 The process for implementation of a 20mph scheme is detailed in **Appendix 2**. As can be seen the implementation of any speed limit is a lengthy process thus,

with committee approval, the aim is to implement the proposed schemes in financial year 2018/19. This is subject to further consultation and any procurement timescales.

6. Implications

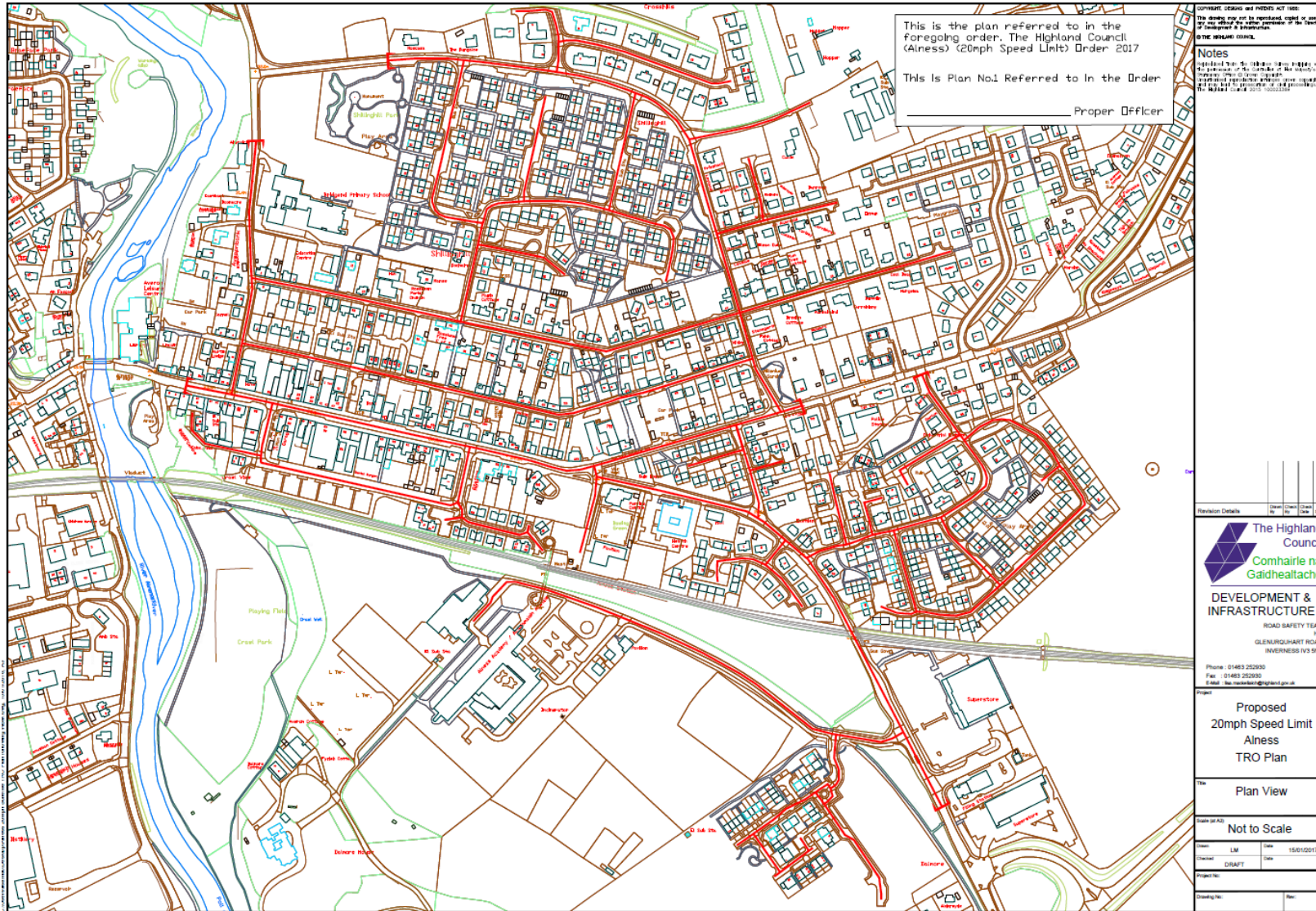
- 6.1 Resource – Capital programme funding of £50,000 per annum until 2022/23 to support the introduction of 20mph schemes. Additional Carbon Clever Contribution of £100k awarded Nov 2016.
- 6.2 Legal – 20mph speed limits require to be supported by formal Road Traffic Regulation Orders.
- 6.3 Community (Equality, Poverty and Rural) – There are no equality, poverty or rural implications arising from this report.
- 6.4 Climate Change/Carbon Clever – Reduced traffic speeds will have a positive effect on the street environment and reduce carbon emissions. Reduced speed limits also support a modal shift from cars to cycling and walking which will also have a positive contribution to reducing carbon emissions.
- 6.5 Risk – There is a finite budget allocated to schemes across the Highlands. The delivery of each scheme may be influenced by available funds.
- 6.6 Gaelic – There is no adverse impact on Gaelic considerations arising from this report.

Designation: Director of Development and Infrastructure.

Date: 16 January 2018

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APPENDIX 1 AIness 20mph Speed Limit Proposal



This is the plan referred to in the foregoing order, The Highland Council (AIness) (20mph Speed Limit) Order 2017

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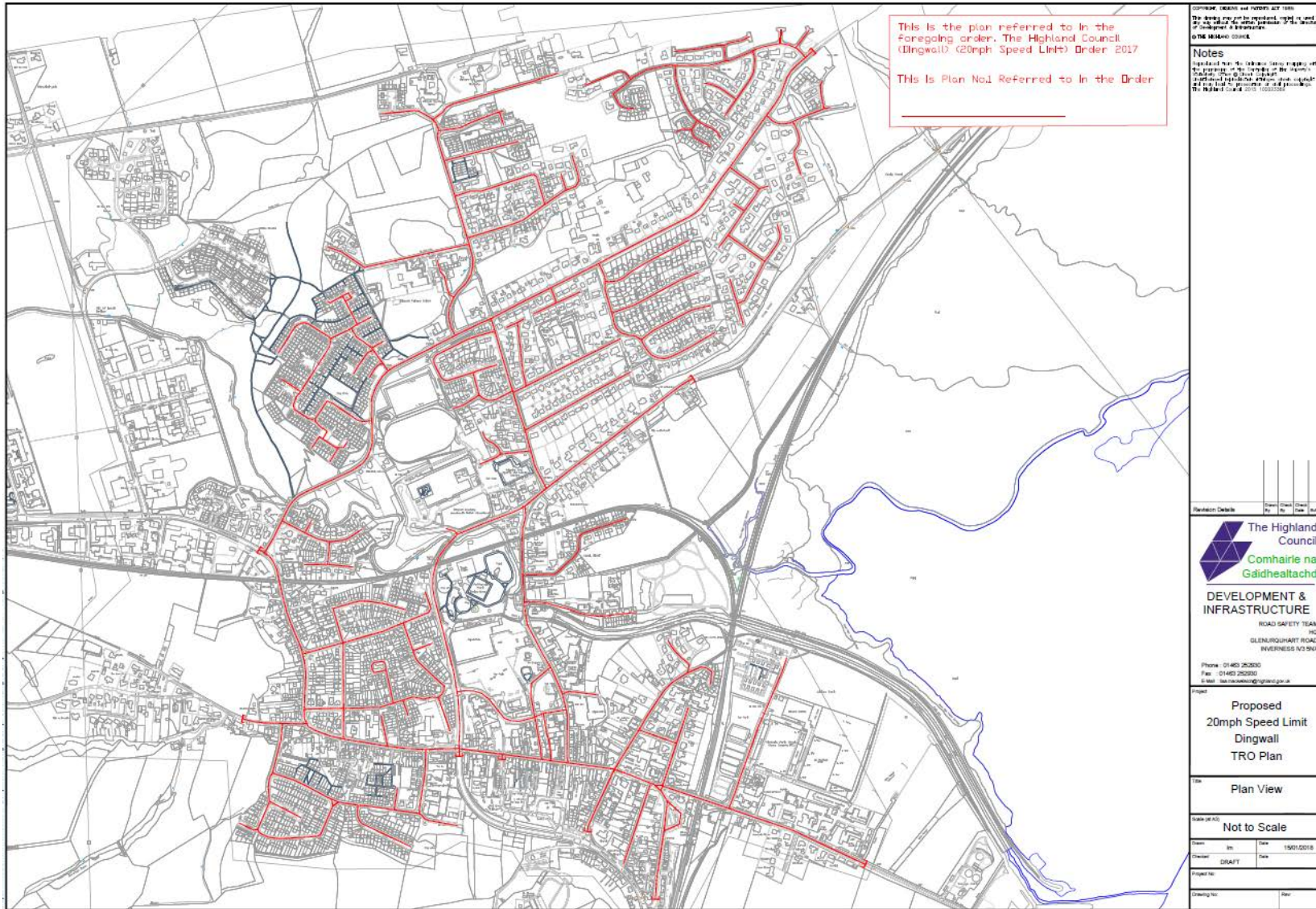
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Dingwall 20mph Speed Limit Proposal



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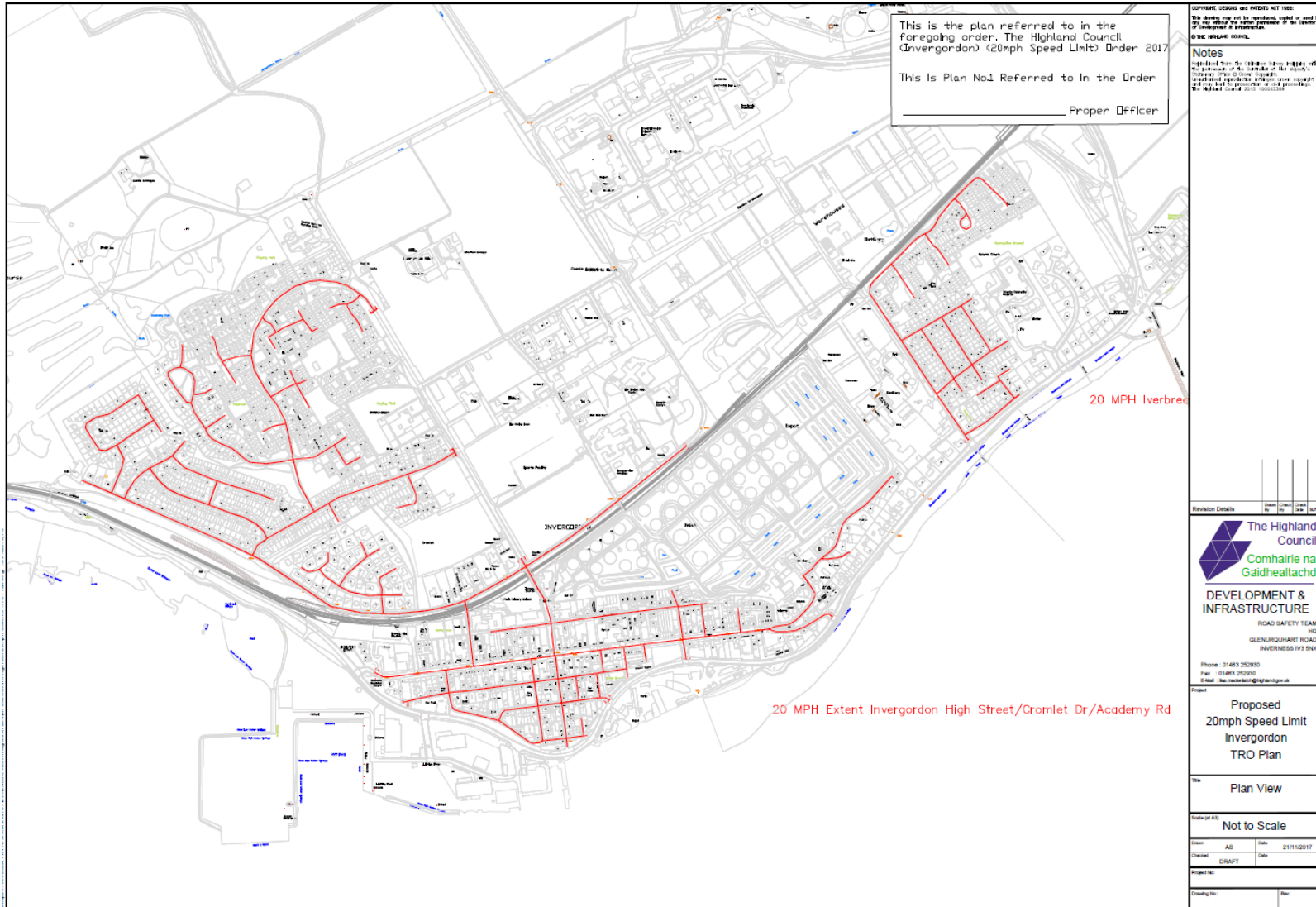
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Invergordon 20mph Speed Limit Proposal



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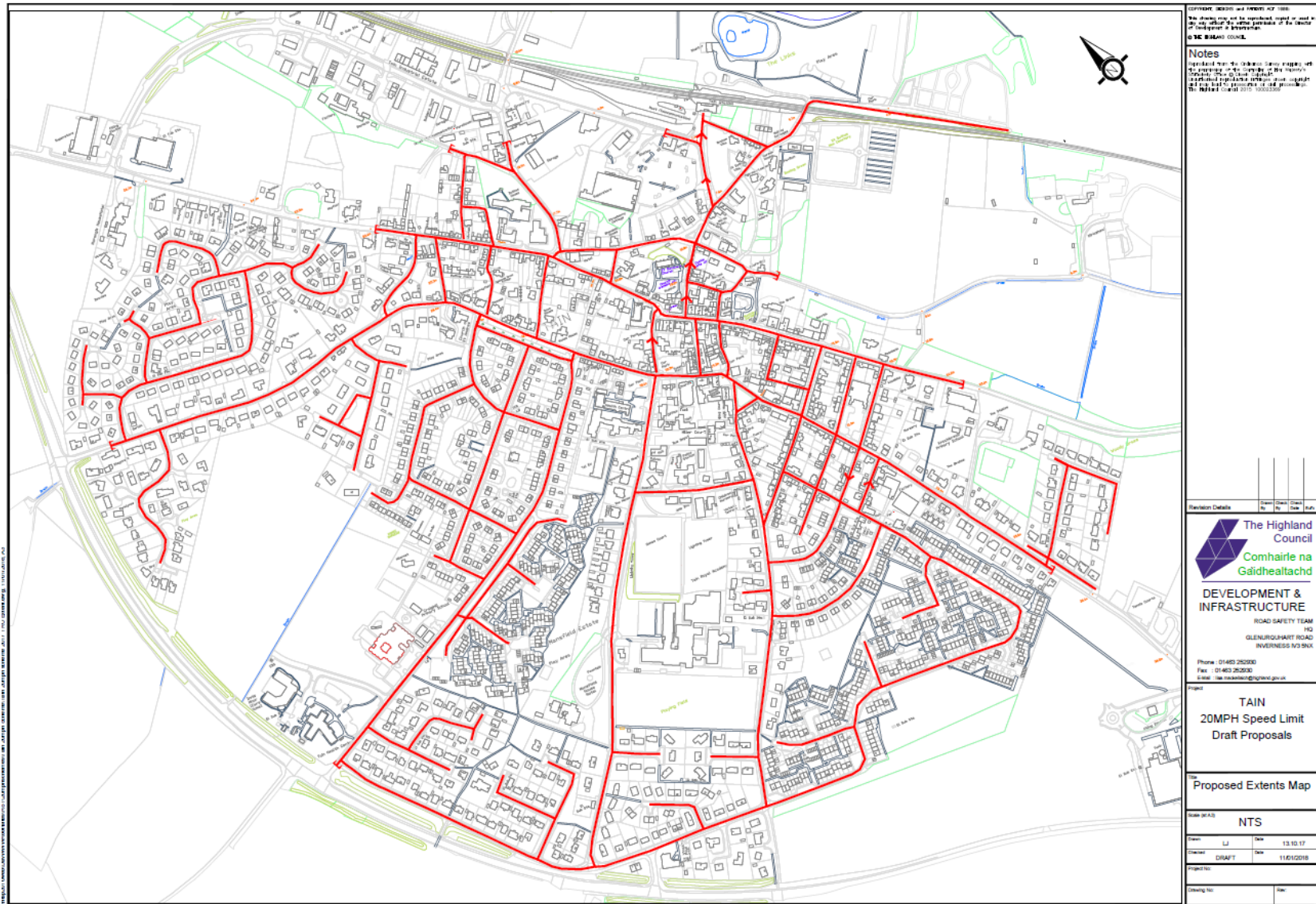
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Tain 20mph Speed Limit Proposal



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Notes
 Residents may be advised to support the proposed 20mph speed limit in the interests of safety and the environment. The Council will continue to monitor the situation and will be happy to discuss any concerns or suggestions with residents.

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APPENDIX 2 – 20mph Speed Limit Process

Stage	Description	Sub-activities		Time (Weeks)	Narrative
1	Collision Analysis	A	Collision plotting and analysis of results	1	
2	Speed Surveys	A	Prepare and undertake survey	3	Dependant on availability of survey resources
		B	Analysis of data	1	
3	Consultation	A	Ward	6	
		B	Area Community Services	6	
		C	Community Council	6	
		D	Emergency Services	2	
		E	Residents	3	Not required unless traffic calming involved
4	Statutory Traffic Regulation Order (TRO)	A	Prepare TRO, Notice & Statement of Reasons	1	
		B	Consult Legal	4	
		Ci	Advertise draft TRO in the newspaper	3	With corresponding paperwork at Service Point
		Cii	Formal process to deal with sustained objections	12 - 24	Formal Hearing required
		D	Sign off by Proper Officer	2	Subject to no sustained objections
5	Implement scheme of works	A	Community Services – Signs, Lines and Other	12 – 24	Subject to other works programme Lining can only be undertaken at certain times of the year
		Total		46 – 58	

- 1) Each stage to be completed before progressing to the next stage.
- 2) Timescales are indicative (much is dependent on timeous responses from consultees)
- 3) Where objections are received officials will endeavour to negotiate a withdrawal otherwise a formal process involves a report to Area Committee.