

Agenda Item	7
Report No	RC/3/18

HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Committee: Ross & Cromarty

Date: 31 January 2018

Report Title: Decriminalised Parking Enforcement

Report By: Director of Community Services

1. Purpose/Executive Summary

- 1.1 To update members on the timetable for the implementation of full decriminalised parking enforcement in Ross & Cromarty.

2. Recommendations

Members are asked to:-

- 2.1
- i. Note the update on the rollout of Decriminalised Parking Enforcement (DPE) to Ross & Cromarty.

3. Work done to date

- 3.1 Staff have been active during summer 2017 upgrading the existing lining and signing present in Ross & Cromarty. Approximately 80% of this has been completed with the majority of the works outstanding relating to signing improvements. All townships have been surveyed and staff have liaised with members and other representatives during this process and will continue to do so.
- 3.2 All existing waiting & loading restrictions are currently being reproduced as a set of detailed plans that will form the foundation of the new Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) that will underpin all future enforcement activity. These TROs will be issued in batches as resources allow and will be subject to the statutory process of promoting TROs.
- 3.3 Members are asked to note that the townships in Ross & Cromarty are being considered at the same time as all other townships in Highland awaiting rollout of Decriminalised Parking Enforcement.
- 3.4 Council wide the staff involved in the DPE rollout have since 2015 reviewed over 5000 named roads, 4500 historical Traffic Regulation Orders. They have supervised the upgrade of 160,000m of lining, are replacing some 1600 roads signs and this work will continue over the next 12 months.

4. New areas

- 4.1 Members have been very helpful in identifying traffic management issues for review in their Wards, in Dingwall for example:
- I. Dingwall Primary School;
 - II. Dingwall High Street – Pedestrian Zone;
 - III. Approaches to Victoria Park; and
 - IV. Dingwall Business Park & Industrial sites.

Many other Wards have identified issues that need to be reviewed and staff will continue to action these. Staff are reviewing all areas identified to include - where possible - within the new TROs.

5. Next Steps

- 5.1 Document all new areas within the TROs – January/Feb 2018.
- 5.2 Advertise the first group of TROs for Public consultation – February 2018.
- 5.3 Respond to consultation feedback and make the new TRO – March/April 2018.
- 5.4 Implement new lining and signing and begin active enforcement – April 2018.

6.0 Funding

- 6.1 Members are asked to note that funding for additional lining & signing is not currently identified and this will impact on the enforcement in these new areas until such time as these works can be funded.

7. Implications

- 7.1 Resource – Funding needs to be identified for all additional traffic management elements.
- 7.2 Legal – Statutory process required for implementation of new TRO.
- 7.3 Community (Equality, Poverty and Rural) – No implications.
- 7.4 Climate Change / Carbon Clever – No implications.
- 7.5 Risk – No implications.

- 7.6 Gaelic – No implications.

Designation: Director of Community Services

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