

**ANGUS COUNCIL**

**ROADS COMMITTEE**

**2 MAY 2002**

**VARIATION OF SPEED LIMITS ON GOURDIE BRAE BY BIRKHILL.**

**REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF ROADS.**

**ABSTRACT**

This report deals with proposals by Dundee City Council to alter the current speed limit on Gourdie Brae by Birkhill, part of which is located within the Angus Council area.

**1 RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee agree to the promotion of a joint Traffic Regulation Order with Dundee City Council to introduce a 40mph speed limit on that section of Gourdie Brae from its junction with the Dundee–Coupar Angus Road (A923) southwards to its junction with the Liff Hospital Road.

**2 DETAILS**

Gourdie Brae lies to the north west of Dundee and provides a link between the A90 Kingsway Trunk Road and the A923 Dundee–Coupar Angus Road at the east end of Birkhill.

The southern section lies within Dundee City Council whilst the section to the north of its junction with the Liff Hospital Road is jointly controlled.

Dundee City Council has received concerns about excessive speeds along the entire length of Gourdie Brae but particularly the southern section where there are concealed accesses serving residential cottages and The Scottish Crop Research Institute. Following discussions with Tayside Police, Dundee City Council has agreed to promote an Order to extend the 30mph speed limit from its current location at Myrekirk Road to the Gourdie Brae–Liff Hospital Road junction. This section is entirely within Dundee City Council boundary.

In addition to the above, Tayside Police also voiced concerns about the traffic speeds on the remaining section of Gourdie Brae and recommended that the introduction of a 40mph speed limit would benefit pedestrian and traffic safety.

Dundee City Council Planning and Transport Committee considered a report on this subject on 25 February 2002 and agreed to the promotion of the necessary Traffic Regulation Order.

As a section of affected road is jointly the responsibility of Angus Council and Dundee City Council, a joint Order will be required. Dundee City Council has requested Angus Council's agreement to the overall proposals.

In assessing the matter and in consultation with Tayside Police it is considered that the proposals for the reduction of the speed limit on Gourdie Brae would be of benefit and should be supported.

Subject to the Roads/Committee's approval of these proposals Dundee City Council will attend to the administrative arrangements for promoting the joint Traffic Regulation Order.

The affected lengths of road are indicated on the attached plan.

### 3 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The estimated cost of works in respect of the section of road within the Angus Council area will be in the region of £1500 and Dundee City Council have agreed to meet these costs in full. Additional maintenance costs would amount to £150 per annum and these will require to be contained in the Roads Revenue Budgets for future years.

### 4 **HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS**

There are no human rights implications arising from the proposals in this report.

### 5 **CONSULTATION**

The Chief Executive, the Director of Law and Administration, the Director of Finance and the Chief Constable have been consulted in the preparation of this Report.

### 6 **CONCLUSION**

In the interest of traffic safety alterations to speed limits on Gourdie Brae by Birkhill are considered appropriate and the promotion of a joint Traffic Regulation Order to alter the existing speed limit is necessary.

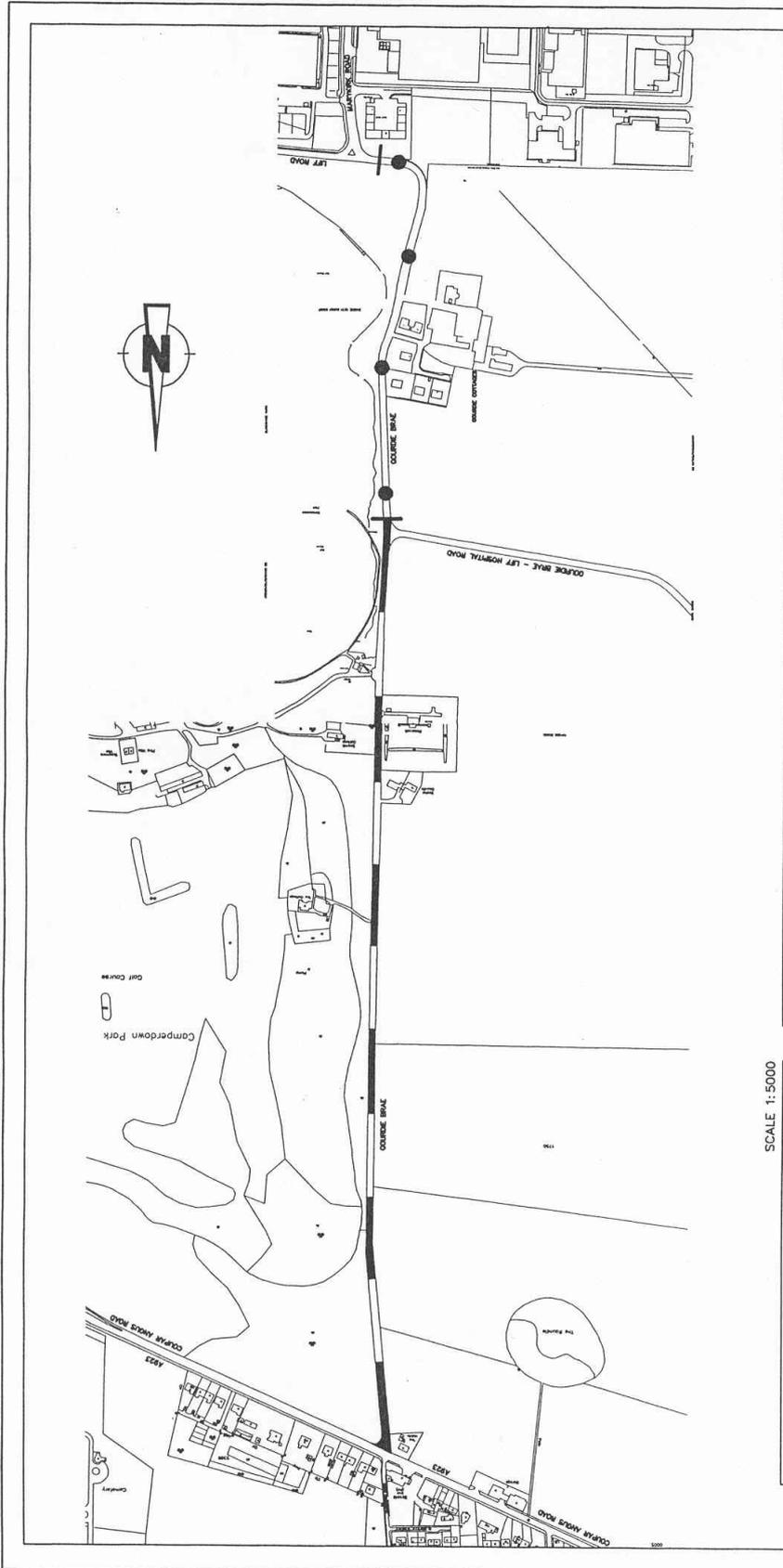
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NOTE:

The following background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing this Report:-

Dundee City Council - Planning and Transport Committee - 25 February 2000 - Speed Limit-Gourdie Brae.

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**LEGEND**

- PROPOSED 40 MPH SPEED LIMIT JOINTLY WITHIN DUNDEE CITY AND ANGUS.
- PROPOSED EXTENSION OF 30 MPH SPEED LIMIT WITHIN DUNDEE CITY.

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