

ANGUS COUNCIL**TRAFFIC CALMING - SCHEME IDENTIFICATION AND PRIORITISATION****REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF ROADS****1. INTRODUCTION**

Over the last few years there has been a upsurge nationally in members of the public requesting that traffic calming measures be considered for their particular area. There are many benefits including, reduced vehicle speeds, reduced accident levels, improved safety, and improved pedestrian facilities, which frequently arise as a result of the implementation of a properly designed and 'thought out' traffic calming scheme.

2 DETAILS

- (i) Tayside Regional Council currently maintain a list of all requests for traffic calming schemes, including those in the Angus area.
- (ii) The number of such requests normally far exceeds the likely available budget and it is therefore essential that an objective method of prioritisation is formulated to assess the relative merits of schemes globally.
- (iii) It is proposed that such an assessment process would consider:
 - benefits that may arise from reduced accident rates
 - environmental benefits
 - local considerations (e.g. schools nearby, old peoples homes etc....)

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- (i) That the Director of Roads develops a method of priority rating for traffic calming schemes taking aspects of road safety, accident reduction, environmental and local considerations into account.
- (ii) That the Director of Roads formulates a prioritised listing of all traffic calming schemes for the Angus area based on the priority rating criteria.

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