

ANGUS COUNCIL

ROADS COMMITTEE

15 OCTOBER 1998

MONIFIETH - REVIEW OF ON-STREET PARKING

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF ROADS

ABSTRACT

This report discusses the provision of on-street parking in Monifieth focusing in particular on the demand for more parking for shoppers in the High Street and the difficulties caused by the high demand for on-street parking associated with the golf courses.

1 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the committee agree:-

- (i) to promote a Traffic Regulation Order to consolidate existing waiting restrictions and to effect changes to waiting restrictions in Monifieth into a single Order;
- (ii) to the adjustment of the zig zag lining associated with the two pedestrian crossings in the High Street to maximise the on-street parking space available.

2 INTRODUCTION

During the public consultation for the traffic calming scheme recently completed in Monifieth comments were received from representatives of local businesses that there was lack of parking available in Monifieth for shoppers.

The problems caused by parking associated with the golf courses were considered by the Roads Committee at its meeting on 28 August 1997 (Report No 872/97 - Princes Street, Monifieth, Request for Residents Parking). It was agreed that no residents parking scheme would be provided. Although the public consultation at this time had indicated that the majority of residents did not wish to see any changes to the existing waiting restrictions in Princes Street there have been some reported difficulties in this area, in particular with obstructed visibility at junctions.

3 DISCUSSION

Monifieth High Street is a main bus route and carries a relatively high volume of other through traffic. Although in the longer term the proposed dualling of the A92 will remove a significant proportion of this through traffic there will always be a need to ensure that larger vehicles such as buses and delivery lorries are not obstructed by parked vehicles. The existing waiting restrictions in the High Street have been provided to ensure that through traffic is not unnecessarily obstructed. A survey of the existing situation has shown that there is no scope to make major changes to the existing waiting restrictions without causing problems. Nevertheless there are three areas where minor changes could provide some extra on-street parking.

At the Pelican crossing at the west end of the High Street there is scope to reduce the length of the white zig zag markings on the east (ie going away) side of the crossing. This will extend the length of limited waiting here by approximately 8 metres.

Outside the library there is an existing length of single yellow line which could be relaxed to limited waiting. This would extend from the new puffin crossing to a point some 5 metres east of Wellbank Place and would provide approximately 12 metres of limited waiting. It will be necessary to adjust the white zig zag markings at the puffin to ensure that vehicles parking here are behind the marking.

On the High Street opposite Reform Street it is possible to reduce the length of double yellow lines, outside the hall by approximately 20 metres and to replace with limited waiting.

Consideration was also given to some relaxation of the existing restriction on the High Street immediately east of Reform Street. However the possibility of providing taxi parking at this location is currently being considered and it was therefore felt appropriate not to change the existing waiting restrictions at this time.

As part of the overall investigation of the on-street parking situation in Monifieth the existing waiting restrictions between High Street/Panmure Street and Princes Street were surveyed. There is considerable demand for on-street parking in Brook Street, Dalhousie Street and Princes Street. Following a request from the residents of Princes Street the Roads Committee considered a report on the provision of residents parking here and the recommendation that no residents parking be provided was approved. During the public consultation for the preparation of this report the majority of residents in Princes Street made it clear that they did not wish any changes to be made to the existing waiting restrictions. The survey confirmed that generally this was a sensible option.

The problems in Brook Street and Dalhousie Street are caused more by the demand for residents parking than the effects of golf parking. However there have been problems identified by residents of blocked driveways particularly in Brook Street, east of Well Street, despite the use of white access protection markings. It is felt that it would be advantageous to implement no waiting restrictions in Brook Street, east of Well Street, to protect access to all driveways along this section.

There are also three locations where it is considered desirable from a road safety point of view to improve visibility at junctions. Junction protection markings are therefore proposed at the junctions of Brook Street with Tay Street, Brook Street with Well Street and Brook Street with Ramsay Street.

In addition it is proposed that junction protection markings are also provided at the junction of High Street/Panmure Street with both Well Street/ Lorne Street and Ramsay Street/ North Ramsay Street.

Finally, it is proposed that the existing no waiting restrictions on the west side of Ramsay Street be extended to cover the whole length between Dalhousie Street and Princess Street. Parking associated with the golf courses is causing problems in this area.

The existing waiting restrictions in Monifieth have developed over the years to take account of changing traffic patterns and so it is perhaps not surprising that only minor changes to the existing arrangements have been identified by the review which has been carried out. The existing limited waiting restrictions in the High Street have a maximum stay of half an hour which ensures that there is a sufficient turn over of spaces to give an opportunity for people wishing to stop briefly to find a space. Unfortunately lack of width in the High Street prevents the possibility of any significant improvements to the on-street parking situation.

At present all current waiting restrictions in Monifieth are within the terms of the Tayside Regional Council (Eastern Area, Dundee) (Waiting and Loading Restrictions) Order 1987 and within that Order limited restrictions in Monifieth are Monday - Saturday 9.00 am - 6.00 pm which is consistent with other areas of Dundee. However, in Angus limited waiting restrictions are all Monday - Saturday 8.30 am - 5.30 pm and limited waiting in Monifieth should be brought into line with other areas of Angus.

Since Local Government reorganisation it has been the intention when significant changes to existing waiting restrictions are necessary to promote separate Angus Council Orders instead of varying current TRC Orders.

In view of the above recommended waiting restriction changes it is therefore proposed to promote such an Order for Monifieth.

4 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The estimated cost of the proposals is £1500 which can be met from the 1998/99 revenue budget (£200) and the 1999/2000 revenue budget (£1300). Additional maintenance costs will be minimal but will require to be provided for in future years revenue budgets.

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.

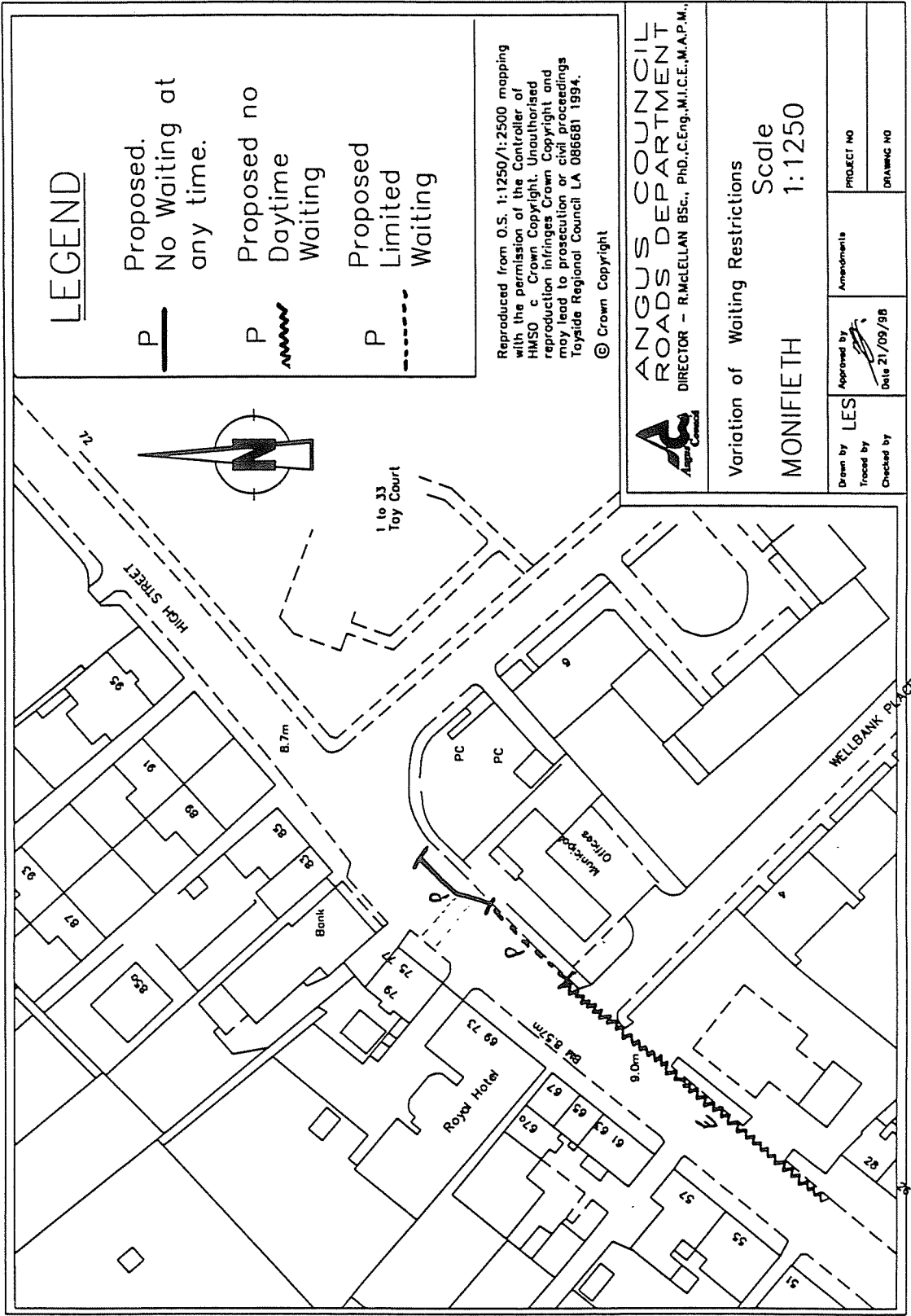
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NOTE

The following background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (and not containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to a material extent in preparing the above Report:-

Report No 872/97 Princes Street, Monifieth - Request for Residents Parking. Approved by Angus Council Roads Committee on 28 August 1997.

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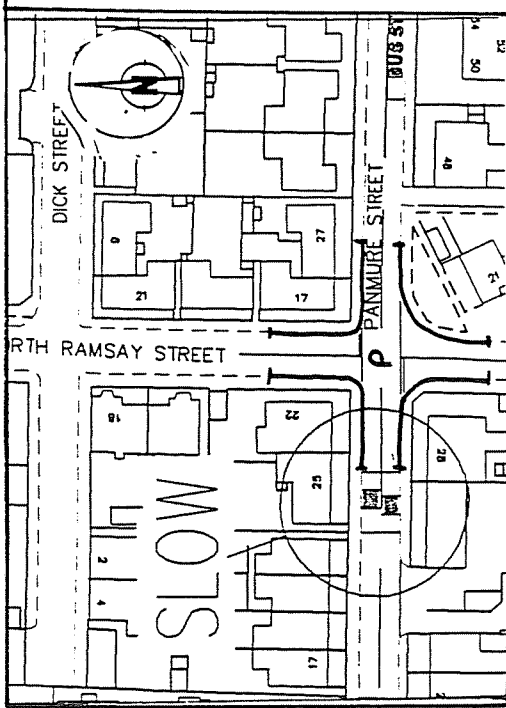
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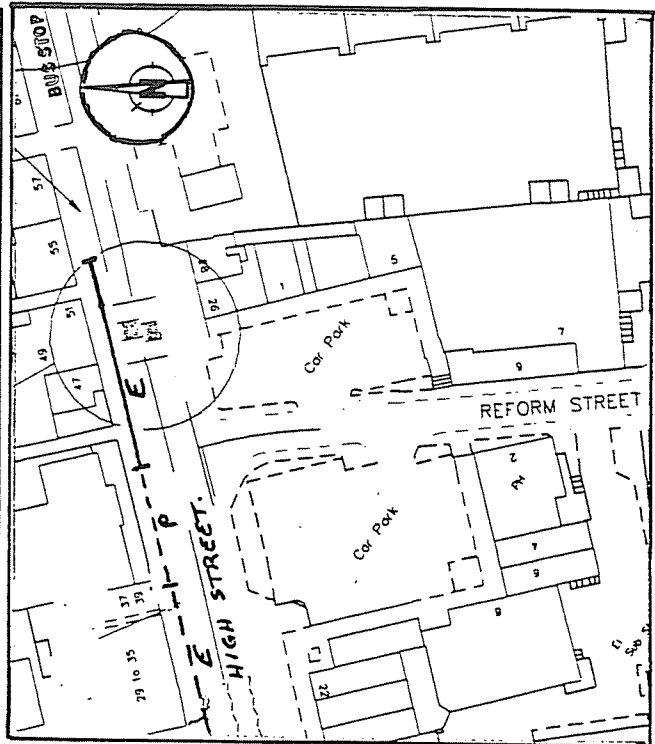
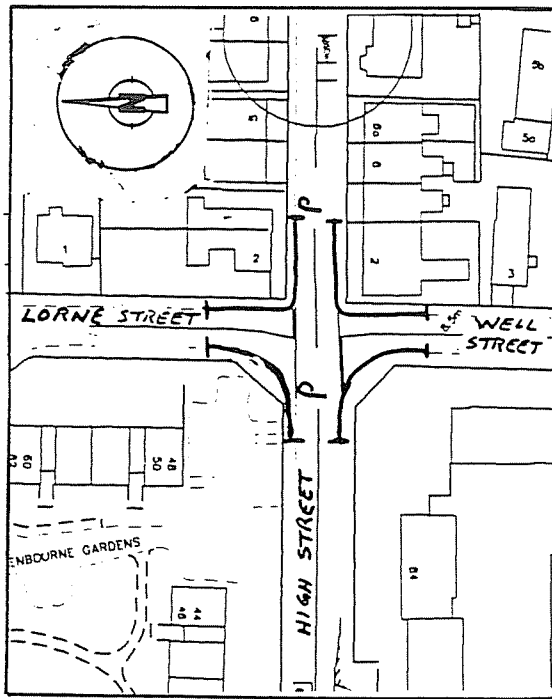
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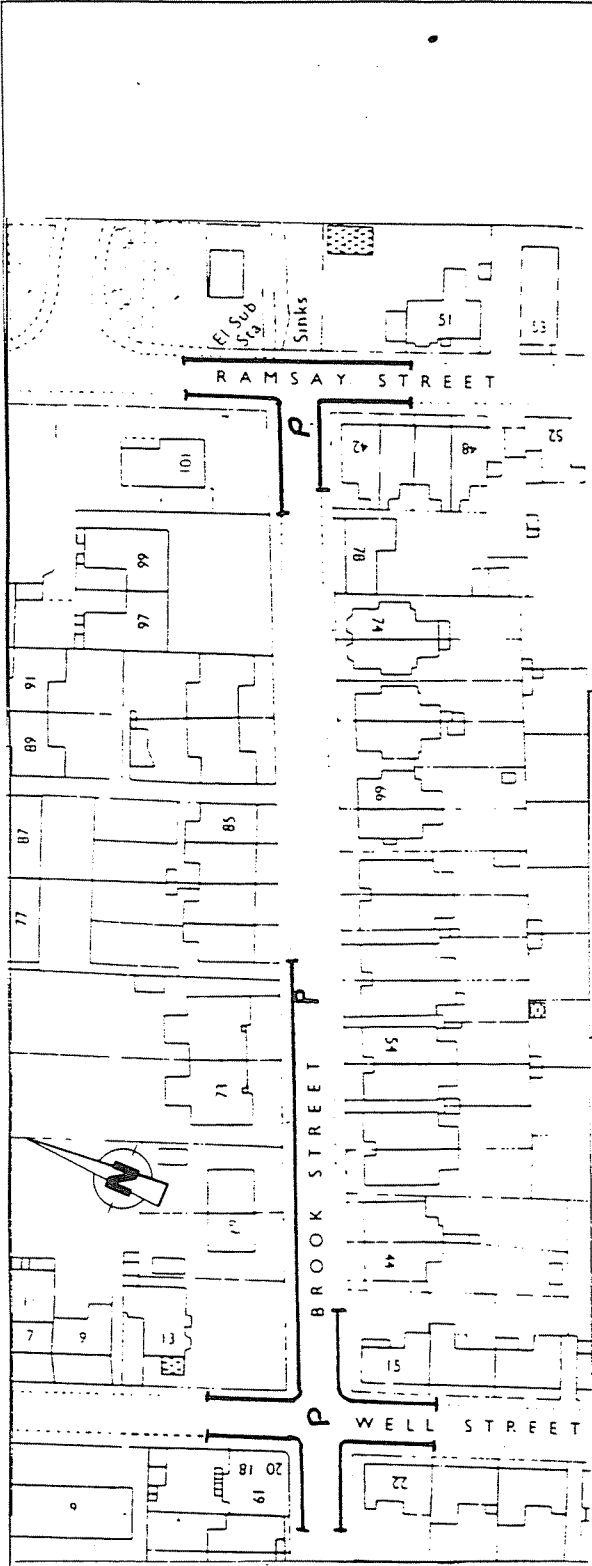
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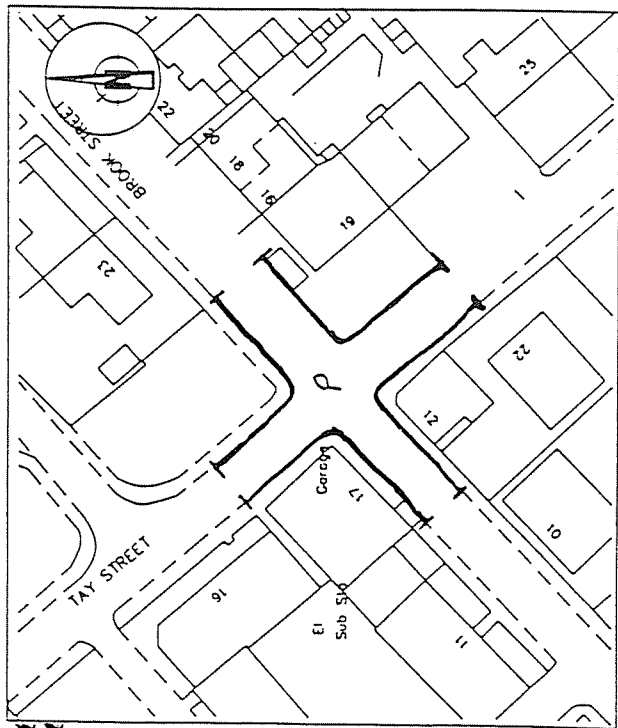
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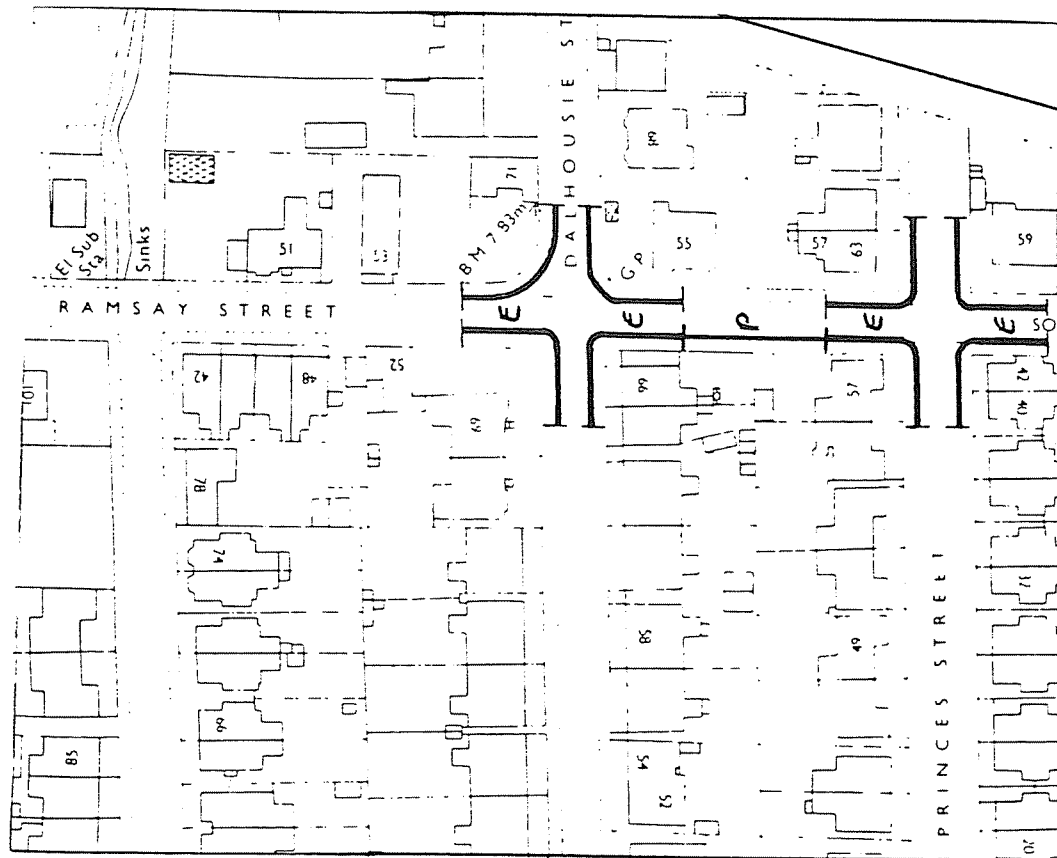
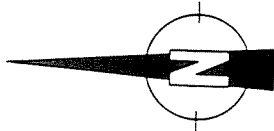
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
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