

ANGUS COUNCIL

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES COMMITTEE

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FORFAR TOWN CENTRE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

ABSTRACT

This report deals with the proposed changes to the traffic management arrangements in the vicinity of the Town and County Hall in Forfar as a result of the environmental enhancement works.

1 RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Committee agree to the promotion of the necessary Traffic Regulation Order to effect changes to the traffic management arrangements in Castle Street.

2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 Significant environmental enhancement works are currently being carried out in Forfar town centre concentrated in the area around Municipal Buildings and Town & County Hall.
- 2.2 These works include alterations to kerblines to widen footways, etc and the formation of a traffic island in Castle Street in order to restrict the direction of vehicle traffic flow and assist pedestrians crossing the street at a very wide section.
- 2.3 As a result of the above whilst there will be no significant change to the traffic circulation pattern certain aspects of the circulation arrangements require to be formalised. Similarly whilst on street car parking levels will remain largely as at present some alterations to the current waiting restrictions are required.

3 DETAILS

- 3.1 With the formation of the traffic island in Castle Street it will be necessary to extend the existing one-way traffic restrictions in the east and west legs of Castle Street which currently only extend between The Cross and Queen Street as well as introduce a one-way traffic restriction in the new slip road between the above sections of Castle Street which is created by the formation of the traffic island.
- 3.2 Alterations to the existing waiting restrictions adjacent to the traffic island and the footway widening at the Castle Street/Queen Street junction are required to maintain free traffic flow.
- 3.3 Details of the above proposals are shown on the attached drawing.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The capital costs of implementing these proposals will be met from the committed allocation within the current Infrastructure Services Financial Plan for Forfar Town

Centre Enhancements. The implications for future years Revenue Budgets are minimal.

5 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

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

6 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The issues dealt with in this Report have been the subject of consideration from an equalities perspective (as required by legislation). An equalities impact assessment is not required.

7 CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Executive, the Director of Corporate Services, Head of Finance, Head of Law and Administration and the Chief Constable were consulted in the preparation of this report.

8 CONCLUSION

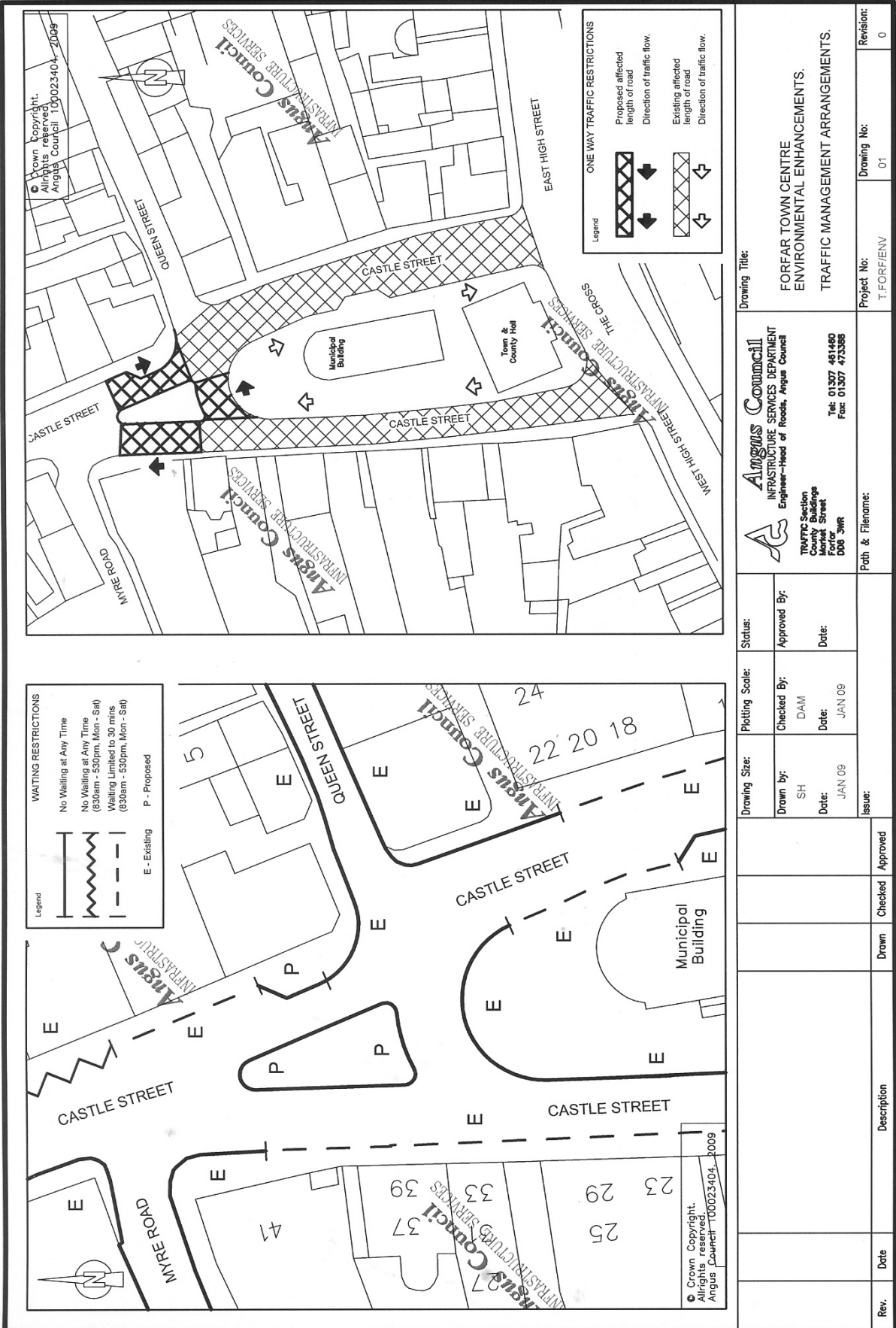
8.1 As a result of changes to the road network and in the interest of pedestrian and traffic safety and free traffic flow the above alterations to traffic management arrangements are considered appropriate. The variation of the current Traffic Regulation Order to implement these proposals are therefore recommended for promotion.

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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:-

Infrastructure Services Committee - 8 March 2007 (Report No 263/07)
Angus Council Committee - 20 December 2007 (Report No 1208/07)



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