REPORT NO 514/01

ANGUS COUNCIL

ROADS COMMITTEE

26 APRIL 2001

PROPOSED ROAD SAFETY/TRAFFIC CALMING CONFERENCE
ANGUS COLLEGE – 15 JUNE 2001

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF ROADS

ABSTRACT
Committee is requested to approve the holding of a roads safety/traffic calming conference on 15 June 2001 in the Angus Conference Centre, Angus College.

1 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee agree:-

(i) to a conference being held on road safety/traffic calming at the Angus Conference Centre on 15 June 2001.

(ii) to representatives from Angus Council, Angus wide Community Councils, Chambers & Commerce and the like be invited to the conference free of charge.

(iii) to approve the expenditure (discounted to Angus Council) of approximately £1,600 for holding the event.

(iv) to note that the event will provide an excellent opportunity to exchange views and provide information on these important road safety/traffic calming issues.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Road Safety and Traffic Calming has become ever more in the public eye over the past number of years. More techniques and tools are available than has previously been the case for addressing safety, problems including, for example:

- road closure(s)
- road humps
- traffic chicanes
- home zones
- 20’s plenty
- safer routes to schools
• emerging safer routes to railway stations
• gateway signing
• signing and markings, including yellow lines.
This list is not exhaustive.

2.2 The purpose of the conference will be four-fold:-

• to introduce details of the legislation akin to the Traffic Regulation Order
  process associated with providing some solutions to road safety.
• to discuss appropriate means of consultation (outwith statutory
  responsibilities) for such projects to ensure full ownership and public
  support, wherever possible.
• to outline some of the techniques and tools available (and their use in
  Angus, to date).
• to offer many groups and organisations to give constructive comments on
  how future projects might be developed.

3 DETAILS

3.1 The proposed Agenda for the conference is attached at Appendix A.

3.2 The excellent Angus Conference Centre venue will be able to house 104
delegates. It is therefore proposed that invitations be extended to
representatives from the organisations listed in the attached Appendix B.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of holding the conference will be approximately £1,600. This will be funded
from the 2001/02 traffic revenue budget.

5 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

There are no Human Rights Implications as a result of this report.

6 CONSULTATION

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

7 CONCLUSION

The staging of this conference in Angus will provide an excellent opportunity to share
experiences and continue development on road safety issues in Angus for the future.

Dr Bob McLellan
DIRECTOR OF ROADS
NOTE:

No 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 the above Report.

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APPENDIX A

ROAD SAFETY/TRAFFIC CALMING CONFERENCE

VENUE: ARBROATH COLLEGE

DATE: 15 JUNE 2001 – 10.00 am to 15.30 pm

10.00 INTRODUCTION
Convener Sandy West

CHAIRMAN
Dr Bob McLellan, Director of Roads

10.10 ROAD SAFETY PLAN
Norman Johnston – Senior Engineer

10.30 Questions

10.40 ROAD SAFETY – SOME SOLUTIONS
Derek Nisbet – Traffic Manager

11.00 Questions

11.10 COFFEE

11.30 SPEED LIMITS/20 MPH ZONES & VILLAGE GATEWAYS
Norman Johnston – Senior Engineer

11.50 QUESTIONS

12.00 CASE STUDY:
CLIFFBURN HOUSING AREA, ARBROATH – 20 MPH
Brian Cargill – Traffic Engineer

12.30 LUNCH

13.30 CASE STUDY:
SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOL
Brian Cargill – Traffic Engineer

13.50 QUESTIONS

14.00 CASE STUDY:
FRIOCKHEIM – WALKING BUS
Education Department

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INVITATION LIST

Councillors (all Angus Council Elected Members)

Chief Officers (all Angus Council Chief Officers)

Police (up to 2 delegates)

Community Councils (up to 2 representatives from each)

Access Panel

Guide Dogs for the Blind Association

School Boards (up to 2 representatives from each)

Head Teachers (or nominees)

Chambers of Commerce (1 representative from each)

Business Associations (1 representative from each)

Note:

Numbers will have to be restricted to 104 No. in total.