EAST BLAIRS ROAD, LETHAM - PROHIBITION OF DRIVING

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF ROADS .

ABSTRACT
This report deals with the proposal to prohibit driving of motor vehicles on a section of East Blairs Road, Letham.

1 RECOMMENDATION
It is recommended that the Committee agree to the promotion of the necessary Traffic Regulation Order to prohibit the driving of vehicles on a section of East Blairs Road, Letham.

2 DETAILS
East Blairs Road is an unadopted road which links Gardyne Street with Watson Street and The Den. The road is in generally good condition but with no footways or street lighting along its length. The section between Watson Street and The Den has a particularly steep gradient. East Blairs Road appears to be used as a short cut between Gardyne Street and The Den with incidents of use by large vehicles resulting in damage to property as well as inappropriate speed of traffic.

The matter was considered in consultation with Tayside Police and it was generally agreed that East Blairs Road was not particularly suitable for use by large heave traffic, particularly the steep section towards The Den. It is therefore felt, that to prevent through traffic, a prohibition of driving of all motor vehicles on the section of East Blairs Road between Watson Street and The Den is appropriate. This would still permit traffic movements between Gardyne Street and Watson Street but would remove traffic from the steep section of road.
The affected section of East Blairs Road is indicated on the attached plan No.T.01.011/01.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost of implementing the proposals is £2000 which will be met from the 2001/2002 Revenue Budget. Additional maintenance costs will amount to £200 per annum and this will require to be provided for in future years Revenue Budgets.

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

The prohibition of driving of motor vehicles on a section of East Blairs Road is considered appropriate. The promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order to implement this proposal is therefore necessary.

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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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