
REQUEST FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF THE STOPPING-UP ORDER FOR PART OF THE A708 AT CORBY LINN, SELKIRK

Report by Service Director Assets & Infrastructure

EILDON AREA FORUM

8 December 2016

1 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report seeks the confirmation of the Stopping-Up Order for part of the A708 at Corby Linn, Selkirk.**
- 1.2 Part of the northern branch of A708 by Corby Linn, Selkirk has been removed as part of the Selkirk Flood Prevention Scheme. Traffic is now routed along the southern branch of the A708 following recent improvements to the local road network.
- 1.3 The works detailed are not covered by the Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009 under which the Selkirk Flood Prevention Scheme is being undertaken, therefore a retrospective Stopping-Up Order is required to formalise the works which have been undertaken to date.
- 1.4 A plan showing the area in question is attached in Appendix A.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 I recommend that the Eildon Area Forum:-**
 - (a) Approves the stopping-up of part of the A708 at Corby Linn, Selkirk, a length of approximately 52 metres.**
 - (b) Subject to there being no substantive objections, delegate authority to confirm the Order to the Council's Chief Legal Officer.**

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Selkirk Flood Prevention Scheme was commissioned after being identified as a high priority area for investment for flood prevention measures, due to ongoing flooding issues.
- 3.2 The £31.4 million scheme was one of the first projects submitted for approval under the new Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009. The scheme will protect 700 homes and 120 businesses, along with critical infrastructure.
- 3.3 In January 2016, R J McLeod began construction of the Main Works Contract for the scheme. The project is scheduled for completion by Christmas 2016.
- 3.4 A section of the A708 at Corby Linn was required to be removed in order to divert the Long Philip Burn from its artificially straightened channel into a new meandering channel. This also incorporates part of a new area for parkland running all the way from the Bridge Street footbridge.

4 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Financial

All costs associated with the Stopping-Up Order are being borne by the Selkirk Flood Prevention Scheme.

4.2 Risk and Mitigations

No elements of risk have been identified in relation to this proposal and no specific additional concerns need to be addressed.

4.3 Equalities

An Equalities Impact Assessment has been carried out on this proposal and it is anticipated that there are no adverse equality implications.

4.4 Acting Sustainably

There will be no economic, social or environmental effects of carrying out this proposal.

4.5 Carbon Management

It is anticipated there are no significant implications from the proposals contained in the report.

4.6 Rural Proofing

There are no rural proofing implications arising from this proposal.

4.7 Changes to Scheme of Administration or Scheme of Delegation

There are no changes to be made to either the Scheme of Administration or the Scheme of Delegation as a result of the proposals contained in this report.

5 CONSULTATION

- 5.1 The Chief Financial Officer, the Monitoring Officer, the Chief Legal Officer, the Chief Officer Audit and Risk, the Chief Officer HR and the Clerk to the Council have been consulted and any comments received have been incorporated into the final report.

Approved by

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