
THE LOAN, GATTONSIDE – LENGTH RESTRICTION ORDER

Report by Chief Officer, Roads

EILDON AREA FORUM

9 March 2017

1 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report proposes to introduce a restriction on the length of vehicles permitted to use The Loan, Gattonside.**
- 1.2 Concerns have been received regarding the size of vehicles using this road which is not suitable to accommodate longer vehicles.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 I recommend that the Eildon Area Forum approves the making of The Scottish Borders Council (The Loan, Gattonside) (Length Restriction Order) 2017 assuming no adverse comments or objections are received.**

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Concerns have been received regarding the use of The Loan in Gattonside by longer vehicles which the road cannot accommodate. In order to prevent this and the associated damage to property it is proposed to introduce a restriction of the length of vehicles.
- 3.2 The proposal is shown in Appendix A and described in Appendix B.
- 3.3 Under the Councils Scheme of Administration, Area Forums approve the making temporary, permanent or experimental orders for the regulation of traffic.
- 3.4 Statutory Consultation on the proposals is currently being carried out and no adverse comments or objections have been received as of the date of this report.
- 3.5 The proposals have not yet been advertised to the public.
- 3.6 It is requested that assuming no adverse comments or objections are received during either consultation stages, officers are permitted to progress with the making of the legal order.

4 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Financial

The financial implications associated with the recommendations relate to the advertising costs associated with a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) and the provision of signs and poles. Approximate costs are as follows:-

Advertising TRO £1,500

Signs (including poles) £1,000

These would be borne by Network's Aids to Movement budget.

4.2 Risk and Mitigations

- (a) The risk of not proceeding with the recommendations is that unsuitable vehicles would still be able to access this road with the possibility of causing damage to properties.
- (b) There are no perceived risks of proceeding with the recommendation.

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 are no significant impacts on the economy, community or environment arising from the proposals contained in this report.

4.5 Carbon Management

There are no significant impacts on the carbon emissions arising from the proposals contained in this report.

4.6 Rural Proofing

It is anticipated that there are no adverse effect on the rural area from the proposals contained in this report.

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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Signature

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Appendix A

