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**PLACE NEIGHBOURHOOD &
CORPORATE ASSETS
COMMITTEE**

THURSDAY, 9 NOVEMBER 2023

REFERENCE:

PNCA/090/23/SC

LEAD OFFICER:

DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

CONTACT OFFICER:

SCOTT COWAN, TRAFFIC OFFICER

SUBJECT TITLE:

DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1** The purpose of this Report is to seek Committee approval for the introduction of traffic regulation orders to legally designate existing advisory disabled persons' parking places for use only by disabled persons' vehicles, on the roads listed in the attached **Appendix 1**. In addition, it is proposed to remove a number of existing enforceable disabled persons' parking places which are no longer required for use, on the roads listed on the attached **Appendix 2**

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Place Neighbourhood & Corporate Assets Committee

- 2.1** approves the proposal to introduce and make all existing disabled persons' parking places within East Dunbartonshire enforceable, as required by the 2009 Act and as listed in (**Appendix 1**);
- 2.2** approves the proposal to remove a number of existing disabled persons' parking places, as listed in (Appendix 2), as these bays have been identified by Social Work Services as being no longer required; and
- 2.3** instructs the Chief Solicitor & Monitoring Officer to undertake the required statutory process in order to progress the proposals set out at 2.1 and 2.2 above.

**ANN DAVIE
DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

3.0 BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

- 3.1** The Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009, requires all Scottish Local Authorities to promote the proper use of parking places that are designated or provided for use only by disabled persons' vehicles. The 2009 Act requires local authorities to identify every advisory disabled persons' parking place in its area and, if it meets certain criteria, start the Order marking procedure to make such parking places enforceable. The disabled parking places listed in Appendix 1 to this Report meet this criteria and so it is recommended that they should now be designated as enforceable.
- 3.2** Presently, various Disabled Persons' Parking places are in place throughout East Dunbartonshire courtesy of 'The East Dunbartonshire Council (Designated Disabled Persons' Parking Places Consolidation) Order 2015'.
- 3.3** The Social Work service has advised that a number of disabled parking spaces are no longer required. These are set out in Appendix 2 to this Report.
- 3.4** The initial consultation on the proposals has been carried out by Roads & Neighbourhood Services with Ward Members and with statutory consultees, and no objections have been received. In the event that the Place Neighbourhood & Corporate Assets Committee approves the proposals set out within this Report, the following steps will see the proposal be advertised by Legal Services in order to install new disabled parking spaces that will be enforceable and to remove disabled parking spaces that are no longer required throughout East Dunbartonshire

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

The implications for the Council are as undernoted.

- 4.1** Frontline Service to Customers – Improve parking for disabled users.
- 4.2** Workforce (including any significant resource implications) – None
- 4.3** Legal Implications – Updating parking spaces is a requirement of the Disabled Persons Parking Places Act
- 4.4** Financial Implications – Funds will be provided through the roads budget
- 4.5** Procurement – None
- 4.6** ICT – None
- 4.7** Corporate Assets – None
- 4.8** Equalities Implications – Updating parking spaces is a requirement by the Disabled Persons Parking Places Act.
- 4.9** Corporate Parenting - None
- 4.10** Other – None

5.0 MANAGEMENT OF RISK

5.1 There are no significant risks and control measures relating to this Report.

6.0 IMPACT

6.1 ECONOMIC GROWTH & RECOVERY - None

6.2 EMPLOYMENT & SKILLS - None

6.3 CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE - None

6.4 SAFER & STRONGER COMMUNITIES - None

6.5 ADULT HEALTH & WELLBEING - None

6.6 OLDER ADULTS, VULNERABLE PEOPLE & CARERS - None

6.7 CLIMATE CHANGE - None

6.8 STATUTORY DUTY - None

7.0 POLICY CHECKLIST

7.1 This Report has been assessed against the Policy Development Checklist and has been classified as being an operational report and not a new policy or change to an existing policy document.

8.0 APPENDICES

8.1 Appendix 1 – Plan.

8.2 Appendix 2 – Plan.