

**THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL
WICK STREET DESIGN
TRAFFIC CALMING ON A99 HIGH STREET AND A99 BRIDGE STREET, WICK**

Statement of Reasons

The Highland Council has been awarded funding to make improvements to Wick High Street and Bridge Street. The aim of the project is to create:

- Warm, welcoming and more attractive public spaces
- A comfortable and safe environment to walk, wheel and cycle
- Better travel experience through Wick town centre particularly when accessing local facilities and
- A sense of identity for the town centre in Wick, drawing on local culture and heritage.

The wider improvement scheme involves widening footways on the Bridge Street/High Street corner, and as part of this wider Wick Street Design project, it is proposed to install 2 raised table uncontrolled crossing points. These are to be located on the A99 High Street and 99 Bridge Street, Wick respectively.

These traffic calming/pedestrian safety features are being proposed in the interests of road safety, specifically to slow vehicle speeds and improve the crossing points for pedestrians in this area as they will make it easier and safer for them to cross the road.