



RIVER NESS FLOOD SCHEME AND STREETSCAPE

At a Park Community Council special public meeting, held at the Methodist Church, on Tuesday 10th September 2013, officers representing The Highland Council listened to concerns raised by the community to the Traffic Orders which had been developed for Huntly Street.

Following this meeting, options were assessed which reintroduced more parking on Huntly Street and reinstated the one-way direction of traffic towards Ness Bridge. These options were presented to the City of Inverness Area Committee in December 2013, who approved the formal consultation of these draft amendments to the original Orders.

This week, on Tuesday 13th May you will see in local newspapers a Notice explaining that the original Orders will 'come into operation on the 20th June 2014'. It was necessary to 'make'/ implement these Orders such that the preferred amendments could be applied. Since the flood works are still ongoing, parking and traffic management continue to be managed by Morgan Sindall so please continue to follow signage installed on the streets, until completion of the works.

On Friday 16th May, you will also see in local newspapers a Notice explaining that the draft amendments to the original Orders are available for inspection. Copies of the 'made' Orders, and the draft amendments will be available at the Service Point on Church Street, and The Highland Council reception on Glenurquhart Road.

The public are invited to make representation to the draft Orders from the 16th May for a period of 28 days. Representations should be made by writing to: Matt Smith, Principal Engineer, Council Buildings Annex, High Street, Dingwall, IV15 8QN. Representations should include their name and address, the matters to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made.

After the formal consultation period, any objectors will be met, and their objections will be discussed. Any objections to the draft Orders that remain following this resolution period will be summarised in a report for the Inverness City and Area Committee to determine. This Committee will then decide whether to approve the making of the Orders, amend the drafts, or delete them retaining the originals.

The Highland Council will hold a drop-in session at the Methodist Church room on Huntly Street on Thursday 22nd May, between 4pm-7pm. If you wish to discuss any aspects of the draft amendments to the Traffic Orders, or are unclear of the process to implement these Orders, please come along to speak to a member of the team.

If you have any queries please contact Matt Smith on 01349 868803.

Yours Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Smith', with a stylized, cursive script.

MATT SMITH, Principal Engineer, Flood Team