

**Item 8 - Question Time**Response to Miss J Campbell

Traffic Warden services are delivered in different ways across local authority areas, including some local authorities providing the service in some areas and in others it is provided by the police. At the Community Safety, Public Engagement and Equalities Committee, the pattern of service in Highland has been described as involving a mix of a small number of full-time and seasonal posts employed by the Police for Inverness and for some towns.

Following the Police Scotland review, the Council is working to identify how traffic enforcement duties can continue and that there is no loss of service in critical traffic areas. In the first instance this includes examining the opportunities to absorb the transfer of Traffic Warden duties within existing establishments. Resource implications are also being considered and further work will be undertaken to examine cost effective options to continue these services in the longer term. Members will be given the opportunity to debate the issues and to decide the Council's role.