

REPORT TO: Cabinet

MEETING DATE: 10 September 2024

BY: Executive Director for Place

SUBJECT: Traffic Regulation Orders to Prohibit Overnight Parking at Coastal Car Parks

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek Cabinet approval of the statutory procedures necessary to make and amend Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) to *prohibit overnight parking at coastal car parks*.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That Cabinet approve the statutory procedure necessary to make and amend the Traffic Regulation Orders in accordance with the relevant legislation in respect of locations and proposals listed in Appendix A.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 East Lothian Council as Local Traffic Authority is responsible for the making or amending of Traffic Regulation Orders as necessary.
- 3.2 Since the COVID pandemic, there has been an increase in the numbers of vehicles parking overnight at coastal car parks. Camping and motorhome activity at coastal car parks has caused damage to the biodiversity of this protected area by the lighting of fires and barbeques as well as generating litter.
- 3.3 In January 2023, Road Services obtained Cabinet Approval to prohibit overnight parking from 2200-0600 at coastal car parks under Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (TO 071/23), and this will shortly expire. There were no formal Objections to the ETRO, but comments were raised and acted on regarding the length of the enforcement period.
- 3.4 We now ask members to support a new TRO which takes on board feedback on the implementation of the Experimental Order, and reduces the enforcement period to 2300-0400, and also makes provision for creating and enforcing

additional motorhome parking spaces at Linkfield, Whitesands and Prestonpans in the future.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None

5 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 The subject of this report does not affect the wellbeing of the community or have a significant impact on equality, the environment or economy.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial - All costs involved in connection with consultation, advertising, design and implementation associated with the making of these Orders can be accommodated within the Roads revenue budget.

6.2 Personnel - None

6.3 Other – None

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None

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Appendix A		
The Prohibition of Overnight Parking at Various Coastal Car Parks, Traffic Regulation Orders		
No.	Location	Description
1	Longniddry Bents No. 1	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
2	Longniddry Bents No. 2	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
3	Longniddry Bents No. 3	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
4	Gullane Bents	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
5	Yellowcraig	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily, except for pre-booked, designated spaces
6	Tyninghame	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
7	Linkfield	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily, except for pre-booked, designated spaces
8	Shore Road, Belhaven Bay	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily, except for pre-booked, designated spaces
9	Shore Road hammerhead	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
10	Whitesands	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily, except for pre-booked, designated spaces
11	Barns Ness	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
12	Aberlady Bay	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
13	Backsands / Fisherrow	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
14	Mountjoy	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
15	Levenhall	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
16	Morrison's Haven	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
17	Boat Yard Car Park, Prestonpans	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily, except for pre-booked, designated spaces
18	Pondhall	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
19	Skateraw	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily
19	Thorntonloch	Prohibit overnight parking from 2300 – 0400 daily

