

## REPORT TO BANFF & BUCHAN AREA COMMITTEE – 30 OF AUGUST 2022

### THE ABERDEENSHIRE COUNCIL (A981, FRASERBURGH) (40MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2022

#### 1 Executive Summary/Recommendations

1.1 The purpose of this report is to detail the request to approve the extension of the existing 40mph speed limit on the A981, Fraserburgh. This is to extend the 40mph zone to include the new Kirkton Heights housing development.

#### 1.2 The Committee is recommended to:

1.2.1 **approve the commencement of the statutory procedures for the making of The Aberdeenshire Council (A981, Fraserburgh) (40mph speed limit) Order 2022**

1.2.2 **approve in principle the making of The Aberdeenshire Council (A981, Fraserburgh) (40mph speed limit) Order 2022 in the event that no valid objections are received or any received are resolved and withdrawn**

1.2.3 **note that a further report shall be submitted to Committee in the event that any valid objections received are not resolved and not withdrawn, or the proposals are amended following consideration of valid objections.**

#### 2 Decision Making Route

2.1 This matter is before Committee following approval of a new housing development on the outskirts of Fraserburgh, expanding the boundary of the settlement. This report details the recommendation to extend the existing 40mph speed limit.

2.2 Ward 3 (Fraserburgh & District) Local Members and Fraserburgh Community Council have been consulted and have raised no issues in relation to this report.

2.3 Police Scotland have been consulted on the contents of this report and have raised no issues in relation to this report.

2.4 Following this Committee meeting it is proposed to undertake a four week statutory consultation with interested parties such as the RAC, Road Haulage Association and others. This would be followed by a 21 day public consultation with site notices erected at the affected location and giving anyone who wishes to object to the making of the order the opportunity to do so.

### 3 Discussion

- 3.1 Planning was approved for a new housing development in Fraserburgh. As an access to the new development is out with the existing 40mph zone, it is recommended for safety reasons to extend the existing 40mph speed limit.
- 3.2 The recommendation is to extend the 40mph speed limit southwards for 302 metres or thereby, as shown by **Appendix 1 & 2**.

### 4 Council Priorities, Implications and Risk

- 4.1 This report helps deliver the Strategic Priority 'Health & Wellbeing' within the Pillar 'Our People'.
- 4.2 The table below shows whether risks and implications apply if the recommendations are agreed.

Subject	Yes	No	N/A
Financial		x	
Staffing		x	
Equalities and Fairer Duty Scotland			x
Children and Young People's Rights and Wellbeing			x
Climate Change and Sustainability		x	
Health and Wellbeing			x
Town Centre First			x

- 4.4 There are no staffing and financial implications, the cost of implementing the traffic order and erection of the required signage will be met by the developer.
- 4.5 The screening section as part of Stage One of the Integrated Impact Assessment process has not identified the requirement for any further detailed assessments to be undertaken. The assessment policy has already been approved for 40 mph speed limit zones in urban areas.
- 4.6 No Risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a Corporate Level [Corporate Risk Register](#) or Strategic Level [Link to risk register page on website](#)

### 5 Scheme of Governance

- 5.1 The Head of Finance and Monitoring Officer within Business Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report and had no comments to make and are satisfied that the report complies with the Scheme of Governance and relevant legislation.

5.2 The Committee is able to consider (and take a decision on) this item in terms of Section B 10.1 of the List of Committee Powers in Part 2A of the Scheme of Governance as the Committee is being asked to approve the commencement of the required statutory consultation process for a traffic order.

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**Appendix 1 - Plan of proposed extension of 40mph zone on the A981,  
Fraserburgh**

**Appendix 2 - Schedule**

**Appendix 3 - Integrated Impact Assessment**

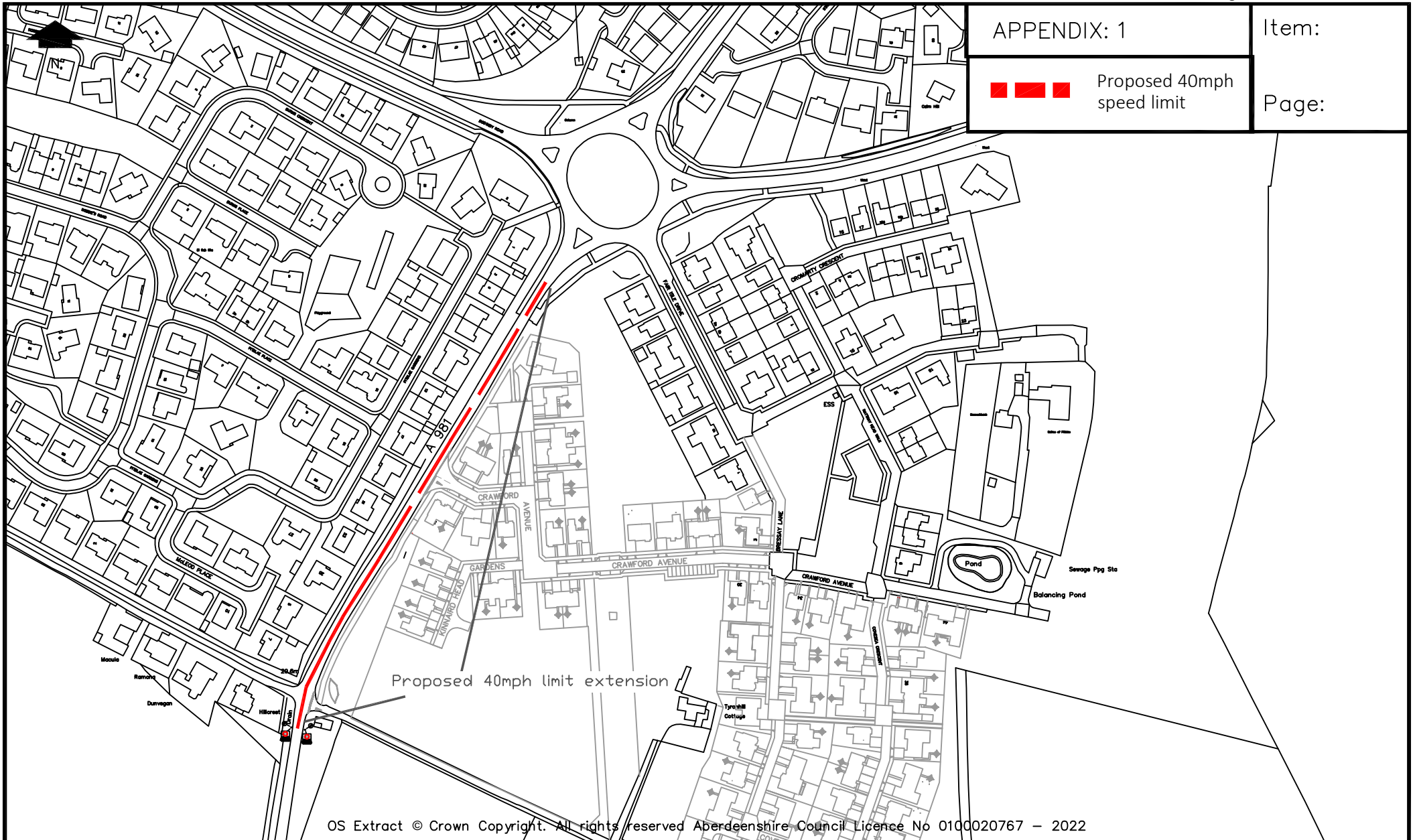
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Proposed 40mph  
speed limit

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## Appendix 2 - Schedule

ABERDEENSHIRE COUNCIL Infrastructure Services		<b>The Aberdeenshire Council (A981) (40mph speed limits) Order 2022</b>	Ref: Sheet: By: Date:
REGULATION	LOCATION		REMARKS
40mph	A981, Fraserburgh – From a point, 40 metres or thereby south of the Boothby Road roundabout, southwards for 302 metres or thereby		