

EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Cabinet Member

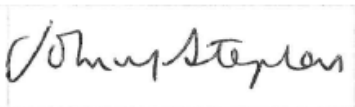
REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY BY AN INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER

Executive Decision Reference Number – SPT10 25/26

Decision	
1	<p>Title of decision:</p> <p>THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH (TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS) (AMENDMENT ORDER NO. 2023.2137327 – EDEN VALLEY GARDENS) (SCHOOL STREETS) ORDER</p>
2	<p>Decision maker: Councillor John Stephens (Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Transport)</p>
3	<p>Report author and contact details: Amy Neale, Highway Safety Engineer, email: trafficmanagementinbox@plymouth.gov.uk & Ryan Evans, Sustrans Liveable Towns and Cities Coordinator</p>
4	<p>Decision to be taken:</p> <p>To approve the ETRO being made into a permanent TRO and the effect of the order shall be to prohibit motor vehicles except authorised vehicles between Mon-Fri 8-9am and 2.15-3.30pm on lengths of: Eden Valley Gardens, Ambleside Place & Ravenglass Close.</p>
5	<p>Reasons for decision:</p> <p>The trial closure has had a positive impact on the school journey to Tor Bridge Primary School</p> <p>Monitoring by the school and the Road Safety team shows a significant increase in children crossing Eden Valley Gardens to walk to school.</p> <p>Monitoring from the school, Road Safety Team and Sustrans around Tor Bridge Primary has indicated that although some parking problems are being transferred to other locations, it is not significantly more than prior to the trial scheme and parents are making use of the park and stride arrangement in the Asda car park.</p> <p>Because the entrance is also used by Cann Bridge School where children with additional needs arrive largely by school transport, there is a large number of exempt vehicles. This is generally being managed well with the use of permits.</p> <p>Positive feedback about the scheme has been received from parents, residents and ward councillors. There are a small number of parents coming into Eden Valley Gardens to park before the closure is put in place, but this is generally manageable with barriers/bollards in place to reduce speeds.</p> <p>The only queries/complaints from residents have been when the school has not been able to put the barrier in place and parents have parked in Eden Valley Gardens due to staff shortages – they are very supportive of the scheme when it is in place.</p>

6	Alternative options considered and rejected:			
	Not continuing with the scheme was considered and rejected as the scheme appears to be working as planned and has the support of the school, residents and ward Councillors.			
7	Financial implications and risks:			
	The Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) and associated works are being funded by the Active Travel Capability Fund.			
8	Legal Implications: The lawful implications and consequences of the proposal have been considered and taken into account in the preparation of this report and are detailed in the briefing note.			
9	Is the decision a Key Decision? (please contact Democratic Support for further advice) Please type an X into the relevant boxes	Yes	No X X X	Per the Constitution, a key decision is one which: in the case of capital projects and contract awards, results in a new commitment to spend and/or save in excess of £3million in total in the case of revenue projects when the decision involves entering into new commitments and/or making new savings in excess of £1million annually is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the area of the local authority.
	If yes, date of publication of the notice in the Forward Plan of Key Decisions	N/A		
10	Please specify how this decision is linked to the Council's corporate plan/Plymouth Plan and/or the policy framework and/or the revenue/capital budget:	The Local Transport Plan (LTP) details the transport strategies and policies that the City Council has adopted and will be key in helping the city meet its Corporate Plan priorities, and growth agenda.		
11	Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)	None.		
Urgent decisions				
12a	Is the decision urgent and to be implemented immediately in the interests of the Council or the public?	Yes		(If yes, please contact Democratic Support (democraticsupport@plymouth.gov.uk) for advice)
		No	X	(If no, go to section 13a)
12b	Reason for urgency:			

I2 c	Scrutiny Chair Signature:		Date	
	Scrutiny Committee name:			
	Print Name:			
Consultation				
I3a	Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?	Yes		
		No	X	(If no go to section I4)
I3b	Which other Cabinet member's portfolio is affected by the decision?	N/A		
I3c	Date Cabinet member consulted	N/A		
I4	Has any Cabinet member declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision?	Yes		If yes, please discuss with the Monitoring Officer
		No	X	
I5	Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?	Name	Glenn Caplin-Gray	
		Job title	Strategic Director for Growth	
		Date consulted	10 November 2025	
Sign-off				
I6	Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:	Democratic Support (mandatory)	JS40 25/26	
		Finance (mandatory)	ITG.25.26.09I	
		Legal (mandatory)	LS/2960(66)/JP/121125.	
		Procurement (if applicable)	N/A	
		Corporate property (decisions involving Council owned land or facilities) (if applicable)	N/A	
		Human Resources (if applicable)	N/A	
Appendices				
I7	R ef.	Title of appendix		
	A	Briefing report for publication		
	B	Equalities Impact Assessment		

Confidential/exempt information								
18a	Do you need to include any confidential/exempt information?	Yes		If yes, prepare a second, confidential ('Part II') briefing report and indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box in 18b below. (Keep as much information as possible in the briefing report that will be in the public domain)				
		No	X					
		Exemption Paragraph Number						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
18b	Confidential/exempt briefing report title:							
Background Papers								
19	Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are <u>unpublished</u> works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based. If some/all of the information is confidential, you must indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box.							
Title of background paper(s)		Exemption Paragraph Number						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Cabinet Member Signature								
20	I agree the decision and confirm that it is not contrary to the Council's policy and budget framework, Corporate Plan or Budget. In taking this decision I have given due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act (2010) and those who do not. For further details please see the EIA attached.							
Signature			Date of decision		28/11/2025			
Print Name	Councillor John Stephens (Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Transport)							