ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (INCHGARTH ROAD, ABERDEEN) (40MPH SPEED LIMIT) (REVOCATION) ORDER 202_

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Aberdeen City Council proposes to make the above-named order to revoke a length of 40mph speed limit on Inchgarth Road in its entirety. Being within a system of streetlights, this would result in this section of road becoming a 30mph speed limit by default.

Inchgarth Road is a semi-urban, westward route which has a distributor function. The current stretch of road to which the 40mph speed limit applies is only 430 metres in length. Scottish Government / Transport Scotland guidance on setting local speed limits states that speed limits should be at least 600 metres in length; this provides consistency along a route and the avoidance of multiple changes over short distances.

The route changes from a 40mph speed limit to 20mph at Cults, where Inchgarth Road continues westwards, entering a residential area. Accordingly, the speed limit change will be less of a “step down” with the establishment of a consistent 30mph speed limit from Garthdee to Cults.

Accordingly, from a road safety perspective, the establishment of a consistent 30mph speed limit on this route is considered to be appropriate and in-line with modern guidance.