

## Transport and Environment Committee

2 pm Tuesday 29 April 2014

### Present

Councillors Hinds (Convener), McVey (Vice-Convener), Aldridge, Bagshaw, Barrie, Booth, Brock, Doran, Gardner, Jackson, Keil, Lunn (substituting for Councillor Henderson), Mowat and Robson (substituting for Councillor Perry).

### 1. **George Street Experimental Traffic Regulation Order**

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The Committee had previously approved a 12 month trial project on George Street including the introduction of additional pedestrian space, a dedicated cycle route and a one way system for motor vehicles.

Details were provided of the objections received during the statutory consultation on the proposed experimental Traffic Regulation Order. Recommendations to address the objections received were also submitted.

### Decision

- 1) To agree that the necessary works to change signage and road layouts on George Street would commence on 16 June 2014, with the trial commencing in late July 2014 and running from the summer festival 2014 through to the summer festival in 2015.
- 2) To note that the Council would procure a year-long monitoring and research package to analyse the impact of the trial on George Street, on the surrounding city centre neighbourhood, and on businesses, pedestrians, cyclists, and different modes of transport which currently used George Street.
- 3) To note the responses to the objections and the steps taken to address those objections, including the contents of the research package.
- 4) To agree to set aside objections on the basis that, by implementing changes using an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order, objections would be further considered, tested and monitored throughout the trial period.
- 5) To note that a report would be brought to Committee in March 2015 analysing the trial's impact and making further recommendations based on the research outcomes.

(References – Transport and Environment Committee 19 March 2013 (item 28) and 29 October 2013 (item 5); report by the Director of Services for Communities, submitted)