REPORT TO:PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE - 8 SEPTEMBER 2008REPORT ON:TOM McDONALD AVENUE, DUNDEE - PROHIBITION OF DRIVINGREPORT BY:DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & TRANSPORTATIONREPORT NO:378-2008

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report considers the reed to have an enforceable restriction in the bus only facility in Tom McDonald Avenue.

2 **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approve the preparation of a Traffic Regulation Order to introduce a prohibition of driving except for buses in a length of Tom McDonald Avenue.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no financial implications as all the necessary signing is in place.

4 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 In 2006 that section of Tom McDonald Avenue which links Mariner Drive with the Medi-park was constructed to allow buses to connect between Dundee Technology Park and Ninewells Hospital. As part of the construction a rising bollard was installed to prevent any vehicles except for buses from using this route.
- 4.2 The bollard detects the presence of buses and drops to allow their passage. After the bus has passed the bollard automatically rises to prevent the passage of any other vehicles.
- 4.3 It has been observed that some motorists are driving extremely close to buses in order to traverse this section of road before the bollard rises. This is a dangerous practice and is to be discouraged.
- 4.4 The road is signed as a prohibition of driving and it was felt at the outset that the physical presence of the rising bollard would be enough to prevent abuse.
- 4.5 It is now considered necessary to introduce a Traffic Regulation Order to enable the police to prosecute the offending drivers and the Committee is requested to approve the preparation of the necessary Order.
- 4.6 The proposals are indicated on a plan to be displayed.

5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

There are no major issues.

6 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Head of Finance, Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning) and the Chief Constable have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 There are no background papers of relevance to this report.

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