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Subject: RE: Celtic Park TRO - Outline Statement of Case for the Council [HM-HUB.FID3901366] (OFFICIAL)

Please find below our response to the proposed event day parking TROs in the Celtic Park and Ibrox Stadium areas.

Our view is that the proposed parking control's impact on air quality is likely to be favourable.

The proposed changes arising from the TROs will serve to restrict matchday parking in the local areas and should, over time, discourage private car use for these events. This should have a generally positive air quality impact due to reduction in the numbers of vehicles entering the zone for the purpose of attending events. There exists the potential for traffic displacement from those who do not choose or who are otherwise unable to switch to public or chartered travel options. However, given the size of the area under the TRO, any displacement will be over a much wider area than that affected by parking at present. Air quality impacts are therefore likely to be diluted both in number and in area over the situation as it currently exists. This can be considered a net benefit in terms of air quality and we would therefore give our support to the TROs as proposed.

The event day parking zone at Celtic Park is adjacent to, and includes part of, the Parkhead Cross Air Quality Management Area. Although this AQMA is scheduled for revocation due to the relevant objectives now being met, it is still an area of air quality concern and any changes in the area with a potential air quality impact must be considered carefully. Having given consideration to the area affected by the parking restrictions, and the nature of the road use in the AQMA for the existing matchday arrangements, we consider that any impact on air quality in the AQMA is likely to be positive as a result of the proposed TRO.

The area covered by the proposed parking restrictions around Ibrox stadium is not currently one in which we experience problems with achieving the air quality objectives. However, for the reasons stated above, we expect the proposed measures to be beneficial in terms of air quality and any measures which reduce pollution levels is to be welcomed.

Given the above reasons, we would support the event day parking proposals and expect the impact on pollution levels from the proposed TROs to be generally beneficial in this respect.

I hope this is useful to you but if you need anything else please let me know.

Regards

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