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Neath Port Talbot Council

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

13th November 2024

Report of the Head of Engineering & Transport – D.W.Griffiths

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected: Godre'r Graig and Cwmllynfell and Ystalyfera

**(A4067 FROM YNYSYMEUDWY TO GODRERGRAIG &
A4067 GLAN YR AVON, GODRERGRAIG / YSTALYFERA)
(30 AND 40 MPH SPEED LIMITS)**

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the correspondence received following the advertisement of the (A4067 From Ynysymeudwy To Godrergrraig & A4067 Glan Yr Avon, Godrergrraig / Ystalyfera) (30 and 40 Mph Speed Limits) Order 2024 as indicated in Appendix A, Appendix B, Appendix C and Appendix D.

Executive Summary:

The report outlines the traffic regulation orders which were formally advertised resulting in objections being received.

Background:

The Local Councillor's and residents have raised concerns regarding speeding traffic on the A4067 from its junction with Gnoll Road, Godre'r Graig to Ystalyfera.

Concerns have also been expressed that motorists have difficulty exiting Church Road onto the A4067. The reduction in speed limits has been proposed to facilitate a safer manoeuvres at the junctions of Gnoll Road, Church and generally along this section of the A4067.

The traffic regulation orders are required to reduce vehicular speeds in the interest of road safety.

The proposed scheme is indicated in Appendix A, Appendix B, Appendix C and Appendix D.

Financial Impacts:

The scheme is to be funded by the Welsh Government Road Safety Grant.

Integrated Impact Assessment:

A first stage impact assessment has been undertaken to assist the Council in discharging its legislative duties (under the Equality Act 2010, the Welsh Language Standards (No.1) Regulations 2015, the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

The first stage assessment, attached at Appendix E, has indicated that a more in-depth assessment is not required. A summary is included below: -

A full impact assessment is not required as the traffic regulation orders will provide a safe environment for all highway users.

Valleys Communities Impacts:

There are 'No Implications' associated with this report.

Workforce Impacts:

There are 'No Implications' associated with this report.

Legal Impacts:

The proposal was advertised for a 21-day period between 25th July 2024 and 15th August 2024.

Risk Management Impacts:

There are no risk management impacts associated with this report.

Consultation:

This item has been subject to external consultation.

A consultation exercise was undertaken between 25th July 2024 and 15th August 2024.

There were 79 letters and plans delivered to properties in close proximity to the proposed scheme detailing the proposals.

Following a three-week consultation exercise, 1 statement of objection and 6 statements of support were received on the proposals.

A summary of the objections received are given below: -

Objections: - *Any officer observations / comments are illustrated in italics in response to the points raised.*

- a) The resident objects to the proposed speed limits as they believe that the proposals would increase congestion in the area.

Support:- - *Any officer observations / comments are illustrated in italics in response to the points raised.*

- a) The resident fully supports the reduction in the speed limits.
- b) The resident fully supports the reduction in the speed limits. They would like to have a speed camera installed to enforce the new 30mph speed limit.
- c) The resident is supportive of the proposal and believes that the reduction in the speed limit will increase safety in the area.
- d) The resident is in full support of the proposals. They would like to have a speed camera installed to enforce the new speed limits.

The Local Members have been consulted on the feedback received and support that the objection is overruled and that the scheme is implemented as advertised.

Further to the consultation feedback concerns were raised regarding the proposed traffic signals at the junction of the A4067 and Church Road. These concerns will be considered by the Local Members as a separate issue.

Recommendations:

Having had due regard to the integrated impact assessment it is recommended that the objection is overruled to the (A4067 From Ynysymedwy To Godrergraig & A4067 Glan Yr Avon, Godrergraig /

Ystalyfera) (30 And 40 Mph Speed Limits) Order 2024 (as detailed in Appendix A, Appendix B, Appendix C and Appendix D to the circulated report) and that the scheme is implemented as advertised.

The objector will be notified of the decision of the board accordingly.

Reasons for Proposed Decision:

The scheme is necessary to reduce vehicular speeds in the interest of road safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision is proposed for implementation after the three-day call-in period.

Appendices:

Appendix A – Plan – Road Safety Grant 2024 / 2025 – A4067
Godrergraig – Proposed Speed Limits

Appendix B – Plan – Road Safety Grant 2024 / 2025 – A4067
Godrergraig – Proposed Speed Limits

Appendix C – Plan – Road Safety Grant 2024 / 2025 – A4067
Godrergraig – Proposed Speed Limits

Appendix D – Plan – Road Safety Grant 2024 / 2025 – A4067
Godrergraig – Proposed Speed Limits

Appendix E – Integrated Impact Assessment.

List of Background Papers:

None

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