ENVIRONMENT AND HIGHWAYS CABINET BOARD

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF ENGINEERING AND TRANSPORT – D. W. GRIFFITHS

9th JUNE 2015

SECTION A – MATTER FOR DECISION

WARD(S) AFFECTED: GLYNNEATH

PROPOSED LIMITED WAITING ORDER - HIGH STREET, GLYNNEATH

Purpose of Report

To consider the responses received following the advertisement of the proposals as indicated in Appendix A.

Background

The scheme is necessary to encourage turnover of parking space whilst giving adequate time for visitors to the town centre. The scheme will also allow residents who purchase permits a place to park near their properties.

The proposed Traffic Orders are part of a wider improvement strategy for the centre of Glynneath which have been discussed with the Glynneath Town Council and Regeneration Group who support the proposals.

In December 2013, the proposals were advertised and at the same time a consultation exercise was undertaken to all properties directly affected by the scheme as Appendix B.

Screening Assessment has been undertaken to assist the Council in discharging its Public Sector Equality Duty under the Equality Act 2010. After completing the assessment it has been determined that this function does not require and Equality Impact Assessment.

Financial Implications

The work will be funded by the Regeneration Programme.

Consultation Outcome

List of Consultees

Councillor E Jones
Councillor D Morgan
Residents/ Shop Owners directly affected by the scheme

As part of the consultation exercise, 25 letters were delivered by hand to residents/shop owners, resulting in two letters being received in response to the proposal.

Letter 1 stated that they object on the grounds of the already scarce availability of parking in the area.

Letter 2 stated that they are a small business which employs two members of staff and they require their vehicles to be parked close by. They also state that clients require longer than the proposed two hour limit for parking. They state on a personal basis they visit Glynneath on non-working days and two hours parking is not very long to visit friends, hairdressers, eateries or carry out shopping. Finally, they state that the limited waiting order will have an effect on locals experiencing parking outside their residential homes.

Observations on Objections

Letter 1

Those wishing to park all day or for longer than two hour periods can use the Lancaster Close and Oddfellows Street car parks a short distance away.

Letter 2

In their letter they do not state why they are required to park close by their business.

The proposed Traffic Orders are part of a wider improvement strategy for the centre of Glynneath, which have been discussed with the Glynneath Town Council and Regeneration Group who support the proposals.

The proposed orders will encourage turnover of parking space whilst giving adequate time for visitors to the town centre

Those wishing to park all day or for longer than two hour periods can use the Lancaster Close and Oddfellows Street car parks a short distance away.

The order has an exemption for residents who purchase a residents parking permit to enable them to park near their property.

Sustainability Appraisal

It is envisaged that the proposal aims to encourage turnover of parking space whilst giving adequate time for visitors to the town centre. It also offers residents the opportunity to purchase a permit to allow them to park near their properties.

Recommendation

- 1. The objections be overruled and the objectors informed accordingly
- **2.** The scheme is implemented as previously advertised.

Reasons for Proposed Decision

To encourage turnover of parking space whilst giving adequate time for visitors to the town centre and offer residents the opportunity to purchase a permit to allow them to park near their properties.

List of Background Papers

File TR25

Equality Impact Assessment Screening

Officer Contact

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COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

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(a) **Implementation of Decision**

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

(b) <u>Sustainability Appraisal</u> Community Plan Impacts

Economic Prosperity - Positive
Education and Lifelong Learning - No Impact
Better Health and Well Being - No Impact
Environment and Transport - Positive
Crime and Disorder - No Impact

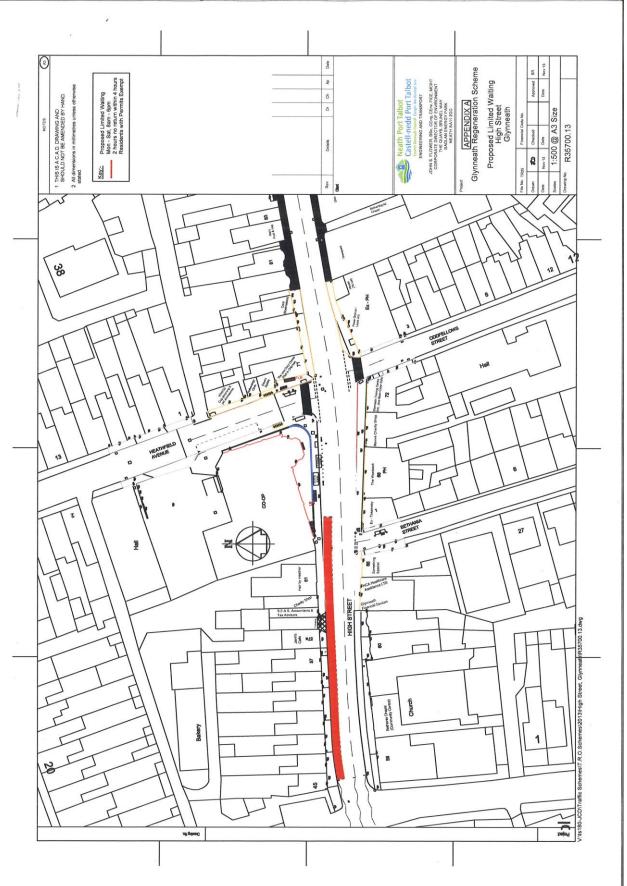
Other Impacts

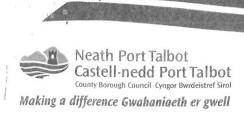
Welsh Language - No Impact Sustainable Development - Positive Equalities - No Impact Social Inclusion - Positive

(c) Consultation

This item has been subject to external consultation.

Appendix A





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Mr J Davies

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APPENDIX

Dear Sir/Madam

Proposed Limited Waiting Order - High Street, Glynneath

It is the intention of Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council to advertise the above scheme. A copy of the plan is attached.

A copy of the proposed Order, Statement of Reasons and an appropriate plan may be inspected during normal office hours at the main reception desks in the Civic Centres at Neath Port Talbot and The Quays and at the Council's First Stop Shop at Pontardawe.

Any objections/support or comments should be forwarded as soon as possible in writing to the address below and must be received no later than 27th December 2013.

Yours faithfully

for Head of Engineering & Transport

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Environment Yr Amgylchedd David W Griffiths Head of Engineering & Transport The Quays, Brunel Way, Baglan Energy Park, Tel: 01639 686868 Fax: 01639 686100

The Council welcomes

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