

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Environment and Highways Cabinet Board

14th April 2016

Report of the Head of Engineering & Transport

D. W. Griffiths

Matter for Decision

Ward Affected: Margam

Proposed Traffic Regulation Order Cramic Way, Port Talbot

Purpose of Report

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

Executive Summary

2. One objection was received in respect of the proposal.
3. The report outlines the objection and the recommendation for the scheme

Background

4. Following the construction of the new Harbourside car park in association with the Port Talbot Parkway redevelopment, it was proposed that a Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Unloading at Any Time Order be implemented on Cramic Way, Dock Road and Oakwood Road and a one hour limited waiting bay be implemented on Cramic Way.
5. In December 2015, the proposals were advertised and at the same time a consultation exercise was undertaken to all businesses directly affected by the scheme.
6. Two letters of objection were received and reported to Environment and Highways Cabinet Board meeting held on 28th January 2016. The decision of the Board was that the objections are upheld in part and

that approval be given for the revised scheme to be advertised as indicated on the plan (Appendix A) and subject to there being no objections, for the Traffic Regulation Order at Cramic Way, Dock Road and Oakwood Road to be implemented.

Financial Implications

7. The work will be funded from the capital works programme 2015/16.

Equality Impact Assessment

8. 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 an Equality Impact assessment.

Workforce Impact

9. Not applicable.

Legal Impact

10. The scheme was advertised for a 21 day period.

Risk Management

11. There are no service risk management issues associated with this scheme.

Consultation Outcome

12. List of Consultees:-

Councillor R G Jones
Businesses affected by the proposals

13. As part of the consultation exercise, a letter drop was undertaken to all businesses within the immediate vicinity of the proposals. During the consultation process one letter of objection was received;

Business 1 stated via their Solicitor that they carry out MOT's, service of vehicles, changing tyres and exhausts and other ancillary works. At any one time, the business could be dealing with 10 customers

who park outside the premises. The customers who have a full service could be waiting well in excess of two hours and if they are not allowed to park outside the premises they will lose trade.

14. The business employs five people who park their vehicles on the road as there is not a great deal of alternative space for them to do so. If the business loses trade employment will be affected.
15. A burger van has been allowed to park on the road near the premises without any kind of restriction which would appear to be unfair.
16. The business requests that no restriction against parking outside their premises and the immediate vicinity so they will not suffer the disadvantages previously stated.
17. The revised prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Unloading at Any Time Order reduced the amount of restricted parking as previously advertised by approximately 120 metres. The length of uncontrolled parking allows the burger van to continue to trade and customers and staff of both businesses to park.
18. The revised limited waiting bay outside the tyre and exhaust centre now allows customers to wait for two hours instead of the previously advertised one hour. This should be sufficient time for a standard tyre and exhaust change.
19. If there were no parking restrictions outside the tyre and exhaust centre, it is likely that early morning commuters using the train would park their vehicles all day preventing customers from parking outside the business altogether.
20. The staff of the tyre and exhaust centre and burger van also has the option of using the new Port Talbot Parkway car park.

Recommendation

21. It is recommended that:-

The objection is overruled and that the Traffic Regulation Order be implemented as advertised.

22. That the objector to be informed accordingly.

Reasons for Proposed Decision

23. To allow Business 1 and 2 to continue to trade, whilst at the same time preventing indiscriminate parking in the interest of road safety within the immediate vicinity of the new Parkway Station.
24. To legalise the 30mph speed limit for Police enforcement.

Implementation of Decision

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

Appendices

26. Appendix A – Legal drawing
Appendix B – Consultation Letter

List of Background Papers

27. File TR25

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Appendix B



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Appendix B

Dear Sir/Madam

Re:- Prohibition of Waiting, Loading or Unloading at Any Time, Waiting Limited to 2 Hours No Return Within 4 Hours, Monday to Saturday, 8am to 6pm and 30mph Speed Limit – Cramic Way, Dock Road and Oakwood Road, Port Talbot

It is the intention of Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council to implement the Prohibition of Waiting, Loading or Unloading at Any Time, Waiting Limited to 2 Hours No Return within 4 Hours, Monday to Saturday, 8am to 6pm and 30mph Speed Limit Order as indicated on the attached plan.

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 and Port Talbot, The Quays, Baglan and Pontardawe Library.

Any comments should be submitted in writing to reach the Head of Engineering and Transport, Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council, The Quays, Brunel Way, Baglan Energy Park, Neath SA11 2GG by 8th March 2016.

Should you require any further information please contact my officer on the above telephone number.

Yours faithfully


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