NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Environment and Highways Cabinet Board 7 July 2016

Joint Report of
Head of Engineering & Transport - D. W. Griffiths
and
Head of Property & Regeneration – S. Brennan

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected: Gwaun Cae Gurwen

Incorporation of Non-Operational Council Land into the Highway

Purpose of Report

 Members are requested to approve the incorporation of the land described above, which is currently controlled by the Estates Department into the newly constructed highway visibility splay off the junction with New Road.

Executive Summary

2. To formally dedicate the land coloured blue on the attached plan, under Section 24(2) of the Highways Act 1980.

Background

- 3. The parcel of land marked blue on the attached plan 16-0167 is Estates-owned land and is to be dedicated as highway maintainable at public expense comprising of verge, footway, lighting column and ancillary cabling. The dedication of the land shown coloured blue on the plan is made under Section 24(2) of the Highways Act 1980 the power to construct new highways.
- 4. This land is to form the required visibility splay at the new junction of New Road, Gwaun Cae Gurwen giving access to the new fire station shown edged red on plan 16-0167.

5. The dedication of this land to highway maintainable at the public expense will ensure that the visibility splay and highway furniture will be maintained to a standard protecting highway safety.

Financial Impact

The only financial impact will be future maintenance costs regarding grass cutting.

Equality Impact Assessment

7. A 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 proposal does not require an Equalities Impact Assessment.

Workforce Impacts

8. None.

Legal Impacts

9. As a result of the dedication, the verge, footway and lighting column/cabling within the blue land becomes highway maintainable at the public expense.

Risk Management

10. If land is not transferred to become Highway Authority responsibility then the visibility area would not be maintained accordingly.

Consultation

11. There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

Recommendations

12. It is recommended that the area of land marked blue on attached plan 16-0167 is transferred from Estates ownership to that of Highway Maintainable at the public expense.

Reason for Proposed Decision

13. To ensure the land forming the visibility splay is under Highway Authority responsibility.

Implementation of Decision

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

Appendices

15. Appendix A - Plan

List of Background Papers

16. None.

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Appendix A

