#### NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

## Environment and Highways Cabinet Board 13 October 2016

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

#### **Matter for Decision**

Ward Affected: Pontardawe

## <u>Proposed Prohibition of Entry Order & Prohibition of Right Turn Order</u> <u>Old Road from B4603 Ynysmeudwy Road, Ynysmeudwy, Pontardawe</u>

### **Purpose of Report**

1. To consider the objection received following the advertisement of the above scheme as indicated in Appendix A.

## **Executive Summary**

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

## Background

4. The Local Members have raised concerns that vehicles turning into Old Road from Ynysmeudwy Road have difficulty negotiating the junction if another vehicle is waiting to turn onto Ynysmeudwy Road from Old Road due to the narrow width of the road. It was decided to prohibit entry at the junction to prevent conflict between vehicles.

## **Financial Implications**

5. The work will be funded from the Capital Works Programme.

## **Equality Impact Assessment**

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 function does not require an Equality Impact Assessment.

## **Workforce Impact**

7. Not applicable.

## **Legal Impact**

8. The scheme has been advertised for a 21-day period.

## **Risk Management**

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

#### **Consultation Outcome**

- 10. A consultation exercise was carried out when the scheme was advertised in August 2016.
- 11. One letter of objection to the scheme was received stating that the resident believes that two entrances to Old Road are essential and is concerned that having one entry point could cause accidents.
- 12. A letter of support for the proposals was received from South Wales Police (Appendix B).
- 13. Post consultation with Cllr. M James (Pontardawe Ward) suggested amending the ongoing proposals so that vehicles should be prohibited from turning right from Old Road onto Ynysmeudwy Road. This is due to the tight turn onto the main road which causes larger vehicles to encroach into oncoming traffic.

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that:-

14. The objection is overruled as the junction of Old Road with Ynysmeudwy Road is too narrow for vehicles to negotiate safely in both directions due to the alignment of the junction. It is noted that Old Road will remain 'two way' but with only one entry point.

15. A Prohibition of Right Turn Order from Old Road onto Ynysmeudwy Road be added to the original scheme and re-advertised, and if no objections are received that the Order be implemented as illustrated at Appendix C.

## **Reasons for Proposed Decision**

16. To provide a safer junction at Old Road and Ynysmeudwy Road for motorists and pedestrians.

## Implementation of Decision

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

## **Appendices**

Appendix A – Plan
Appendix B – Letter from South Wales Police
Appendix C – revised proposals

## **List of Background Papers**

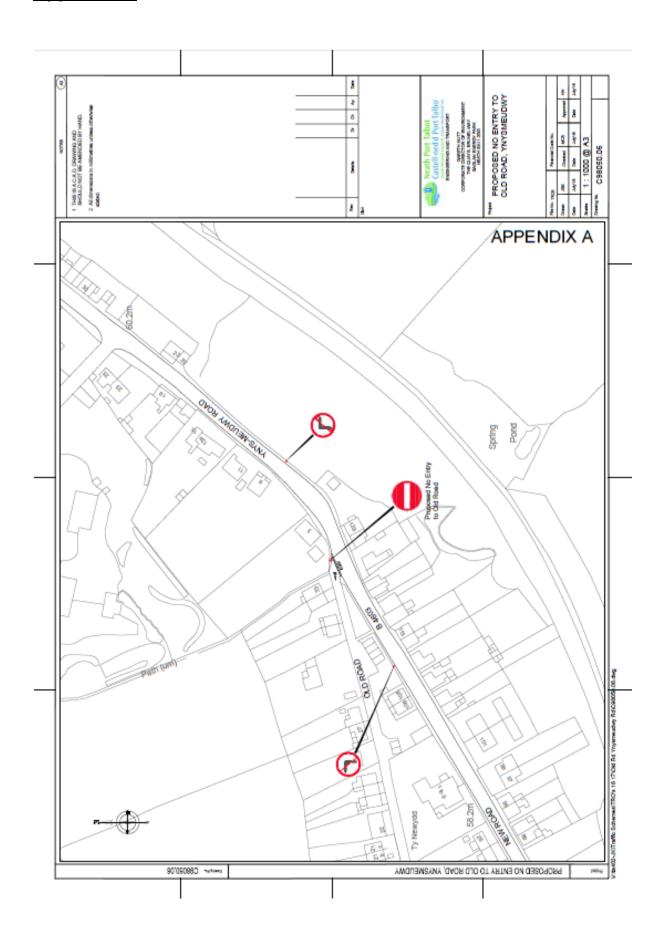
19. File TR25

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## Appendix A



## **Appendix B**

## KEEPING SOUTH WALES SAFE • CADW DE CYMRU'N DDIOGEL



Your ref: MAS/D58-2216

Date: 5<sup>TH</sup> September 2016

Mrs M Stevenson Legal and Democratic Services Civic Centre Port Talbot SA13 1PJ

Dear Mrs Stevenson

# PROPOSED TRAFFIC ORDER – OLD ROAD, YNYSMEUDWY, PONTARDAWE

I refer to your correspondence dated  $22^{nd}$  August 2016, relating to the above matter.

I am writing to inform you that the Police do not object to this proposal.

Yours sincerely

Mathew Lewis Chief Inspector (Operations)

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## Appendix C

