

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Streetscene & Engineering Cabinet Board

20 October 2017

Report of the Head of Engineering & Transport

D. W. Griffiths

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected: Dyffryn

Proposed No Waiting at Anytime Order and No Loading at Anytime Order: Monastery Road, Neath Abbey, Neath

Purpose of Report

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

Executive Summary

2. One letter of objection was received contained in Appendix B.
3. One letter of support was received contained in Appendix C.
4. The report outlines the objection and the recommendations for the scheme.

Background

5. The Orders were advertised and one letter of objection was received contained in Appendix B and one letter of support was received contained in Appendix C.
6. The objectors do not want further parking restrictions as this will effect their business with particular reference to women parking some distance away after dark.
7. The letter of supports welcomes the proposals because the access to their property is difficult due to the on street parking opposite their entrance on the narrow Monastery Road.
8. The proposed parking restrictions have been limited to the business centre access to provide the minimum visibility needed at the junction and also to the narrow section of carriageway adjacent to the railway

bridge in order to prevent vehicles restricting traffic flow and pedestrians using the footway.

9. The Local Member has been consulted and the Member supports the scheme as advertised.

Financial Impact

10. The work will be funded by the Capital Works Programme.

Equality Impact Assessment

11. 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 Impacts

12. There are no workforce impacts associated with this report.

Legal Impacts

13. The scheme was advertised for a 21-day period.

Risk Management

14. There are no risk management issues associated with this scheme.

Consultation Outcome

15. A consultation exercise was carried out when the scheme was advertised.
16. One letter of objection was received contained in Appendix B.
17. One letter of support was received contained in Appendix C.
18. The objectors do not want further parking restrictions as this will effect their business with particular reference to women parking some distance away after dark.
19. The letter of supports welcomes the proposals because access to their property is difficult due to the on street parking opposite their entrance on the narrow Monastery Road.

20. The Local Member has been consulted and the Member supports the scheme as advertised.

Recommendations

21. It is recommended that:-

The objection is over ruled and the objector is informed accordingly.

Reasons for Proposed Decision

22. To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of highway safety and to maintain traffic and pedestrian flow.

Implementation of Decision

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

Appendices

23. Appendix A – Plan of the original scheme
24. Appendix B – Letter of objection
25. Appendix C – Letter of support

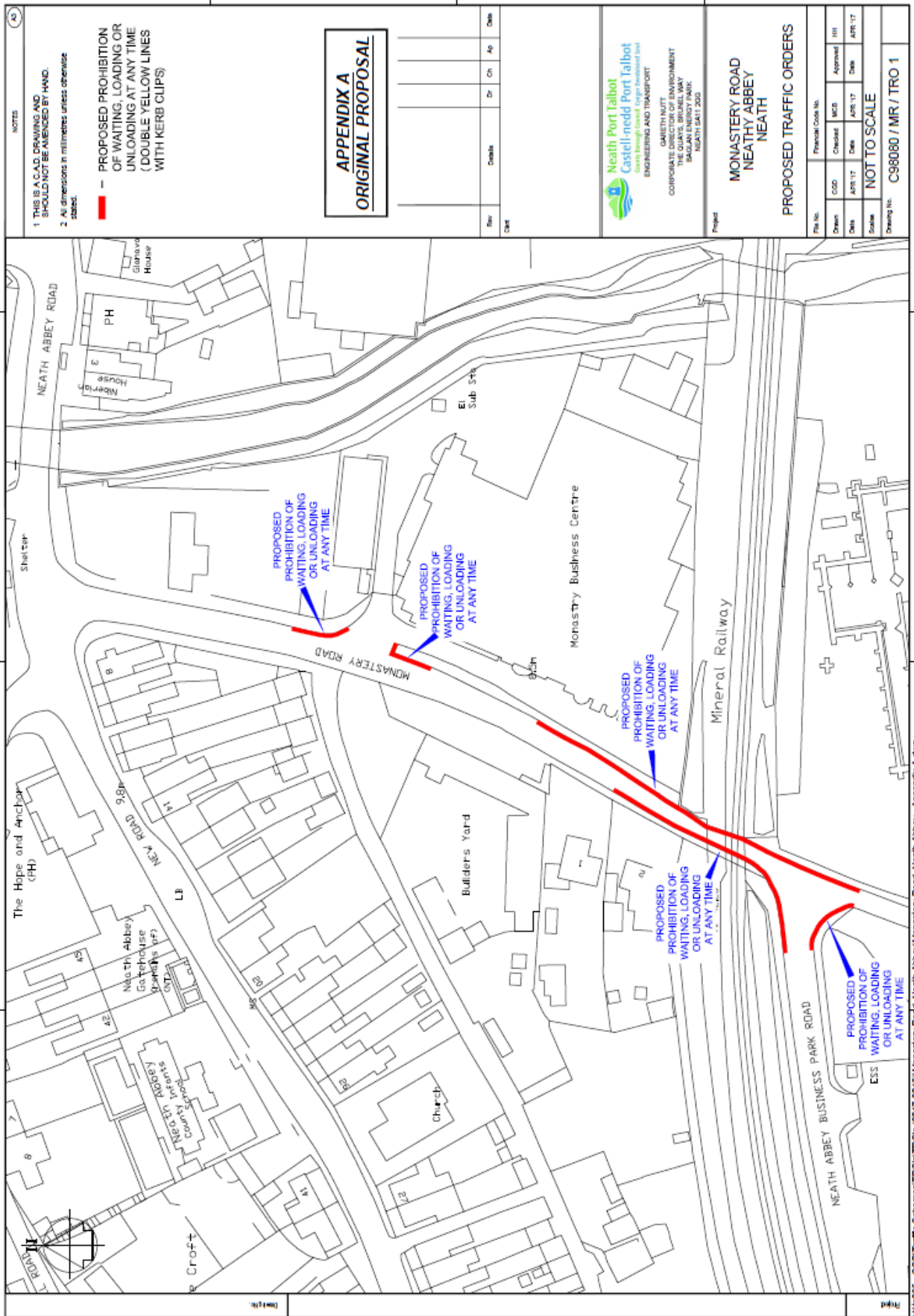
List of Background Papers

26. None

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Appendix A



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Appendix B

Head of Engineering and Transport.

In relation to the PROPOSED NO WAITING,LOADING OR UNLOADING AT ANY TIME TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER MONASTERY ROAD NEATH ABBEY we would strongly object to this proposal as such action would be detrimental to our business and would inevitably lead to the closure of

We are an established Centre in Monastery Rd, and have been providing these services to local women for 11 years. With such restrictions on parking our clients would find it impossible to use our services particularly in the dark evenings as this could compromise their safety and ours if the only parking were to be under the bridge in the direction of the Monastery.

We have asked our clients for feedback on this proposal and all our members are very concerned about where they would park, their safety at night when parking and have suggested their intentions to terminate their memberships with ourselves should this happen.

We are in the process of gathering a petition signed by our members to object to this proposal. We look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely

Appendix C

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ANS'D

Ref: TR25/CGD/JW

Dear Mr Griffiths

I am writing to support the proposal for No Waiting, Loading or Unloading at any time in Monastery Road, Neath Abbey. I am enclosing some photographs that were recently taken of a digger parked opposite my drive. We also regularly get cars, vans and lorries parking opposite my drive. This causes great difficulties in getting in and out of my driveway. On a recent occasion a pickup truck was parked there and when my wife asked the driver to move it so she could get in the driveway she was told 'ask me nicely and say pretty please and I will move it'.

We regularly get abuse when traffic has to wait while we manoeuvre into the drive. The traffic can be travelling in both directions even though it is no entry under the railway bridge. Because the road is so narrow in front of my home, if there are cars parked on one side of the road and traffic coming under the bridge meets traffic coming down the road the the traffic coming under the bridge has to mount the kerb to pass each other.

Another observation I would like to make is the speed of the traffic in both directions. Also we feel that a sign stating the hight of the bridge be placed at the top of the road near new road as we often get articulated lorries coming down Monastery Road using car type sat navs trying to get to Neath Abbey Business Park. They insist on driving right up to the bridge, certain ones attempt to go under the bridge causing accidents, the larger ones cause chaos because they have to reverse back up Monastery Road.

I would also recommend that the no waiting and loading restriction was extended in front of the Autistic Centre (marked as builders yard) to the top of Monastery Road because at school times the single yellow line is ignored and we have traffic parked at both sides of the road causing chaos in trying to get passed.

Yours sincerely
