NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Streetscene & Engineering Cabinet Board Special 26 October 2017.

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

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected: Neath East

Proposed No Waiting at Anytime Order: Exchange Road, 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. The report outlines the objection and the recommendations for the scheme.

Background

- 4. The Orders where advertised and one letter of objection was received.
- 5. The objectors wish for family members to be able to park on the north side of exchange road whilst residents park on the South side and in the residents only parking bays. The objectors state that there is not enough parking capacity in the street for the current demand.
- 6. The proposal is to replace the existing single yellow line prohibiting parking between Monday to Saturday 9.00am to 6.00pm with a double yellow line restricting parking on the north side 24/7/365 in order to maintain traffic flow on this narrow street and to prevent vehicles parking on the narrow footway restricting access for pedestrians.

Financial Impact

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

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 Impacts

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

Legal Impacts

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

Risk Management

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

Consultation Outcome.

- 12. A consultation exercise was carried out when the scheme was advertised.
- 13. One letter of objection was received contained in Appendix B.
- 14. The local members have been consulted and they support the scheme as advertised.

Recommendations

It is recommended that:-

The objections be over ruled and the scheme implemented as previously advertised and that the objector is informed accordingly.

Reasons for Proposed Decision

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

Implementation

The decision is proposed for Immediate Implementation

Appendices

- 16. Appendix A Plan of the original scheme.
- 17. Appendix B Letter of objection.

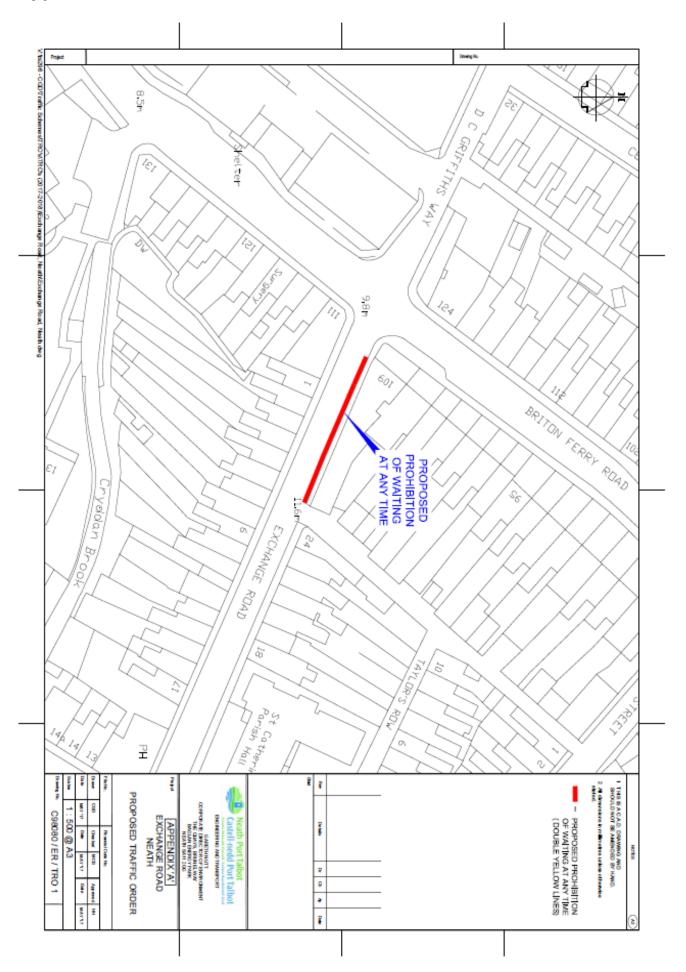
List of Background Papers

18. None

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Appendix A



Appendix B

exchange Road,

Melin,

Neath.

SA11 1TD

^{23rd} August 2017

Reference: - TR25/CGD/JW

Dear Sir/ Madame,

I am objecting to your proposal for "No waiting time at any time traffic regulation order Exchange Road, Neath".

My husband purchased our house in July 2017 and we were aware of the lack of parking in the street. The lack of secure parking proved difficult when moving to a new house that is now our permanent residence.

As residents of Exchange Road, the restriction only affects parking between 9am to 6pm Monday to Saturday when most people work and children/ young adults are in educational facilities. As a stay at home mother I have seen that the parking in Exchange Road does not appear to be an issue during the day.

However, as it approaches the evening that is the time where the lack of secure packing seems to be evident and both sides of the road get congested with both residential and non-residential vehicles.

Many residents that have residential permits for their vehicles for Exchange road do not park efficiently and often waste parking spaces for other drivers who require the space.

I am reliant on help from my parents and my in laws with childcare due to suffering with long term chronic pain and nerve damage, both sets of parents visit often due to my husband working full time. If you proceed to enforce "No waiting at any time" my disabled father will have nowhere to park his car when I require his assistance with my toddler.

As a suggestion If you are going to proceed with the proposal of "No waiting at any time" you may want to consider retracting the currently imposed residential permits for vehicle owners within exchange road, to make secure parking for residents and non-residents of Exchange Road.

Additionally, Neath Port Talbot council could send written confirmation as well maps to residents of Exchange Road on where vehicles can be parked safely anytime during the day and night, as well as parking for disabled blue badge holders such as my father.

My husband and I have been residents of Neath for over 4 years and have paid high-priced council tax in that time. For £104 per calendar month I feel it's excessive to take the extra parking facilities away which will only cause further disruptions in months to come.

Yours sincerely,

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