

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Streetscene & Engineering Cabinet Board

7th September 2018

Report of the Head of Engineering & Transport

D. W. Griffiths

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected: Crynant

Prohibition of Waiting at Any Time:

A4109 Main Road, The Square and Brynawel, Crynant

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 email and one letter were received objecting to the scheme (Appendix B).
3. The report outlines the objections and the recommendations for the scheme.

Background

4. The Traffic Regulation Orders advertised are included in the Road Safety Grant scheme on the A4109 from Crynant to Dyffryn Cellwen. Prior to the advertisement of the Traffic Regulation Orders, the Local Members raised concerns of indiscriminate parking in the area. Also the visibility exiting the side roads of Brynawel and Maes Mawr Road onto A4109 Main Road/The Square is restricted due to the layout of the junction.

Financial Impact

5. The work will be funded by the Welsh Government Road Safety Grant.

Equality Impact Assessment

8. 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

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

12. A consultation exercise was undertaken in June/July 2018.
13. One email and one letter were received objecting to the scheme.

Email of objection: The objector welcomes the proposed Traffic Regulation Orders on the A4109 but has reservations about the knock on effect to residents of The Square during School pick-up/drop-off times.

Letter of objection: The objector parks their vehicle in Brynawel so that it is not out of sight of their property. They also state that Brynawel is utilised by visitors to St. Margaret's Church, Chapel of Ease, the graveyard and the local shop.

14. After discussion with the Local Member, it was decided to shorten the length of the Traffic Order on Brynawel to minimise the impact on parking in the area (Appendix C).

Recommendations

It is recommended that:-

15. The Traffic Regulation Order on Brynawel to be reduced after taking the objector's comments on board, as indicated in Appendix C.

16. The Traffic Order be amended as above and implemented on site.
17. The objectors to be informed accordingly.

Reasons for Proposed Decision

18. To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decision

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

Appendices

20. Appendix A – Plan of the original scheme.
Appendix B - Email & Letter objecting to the scheme.
Appendix C – Revised scheme plan.

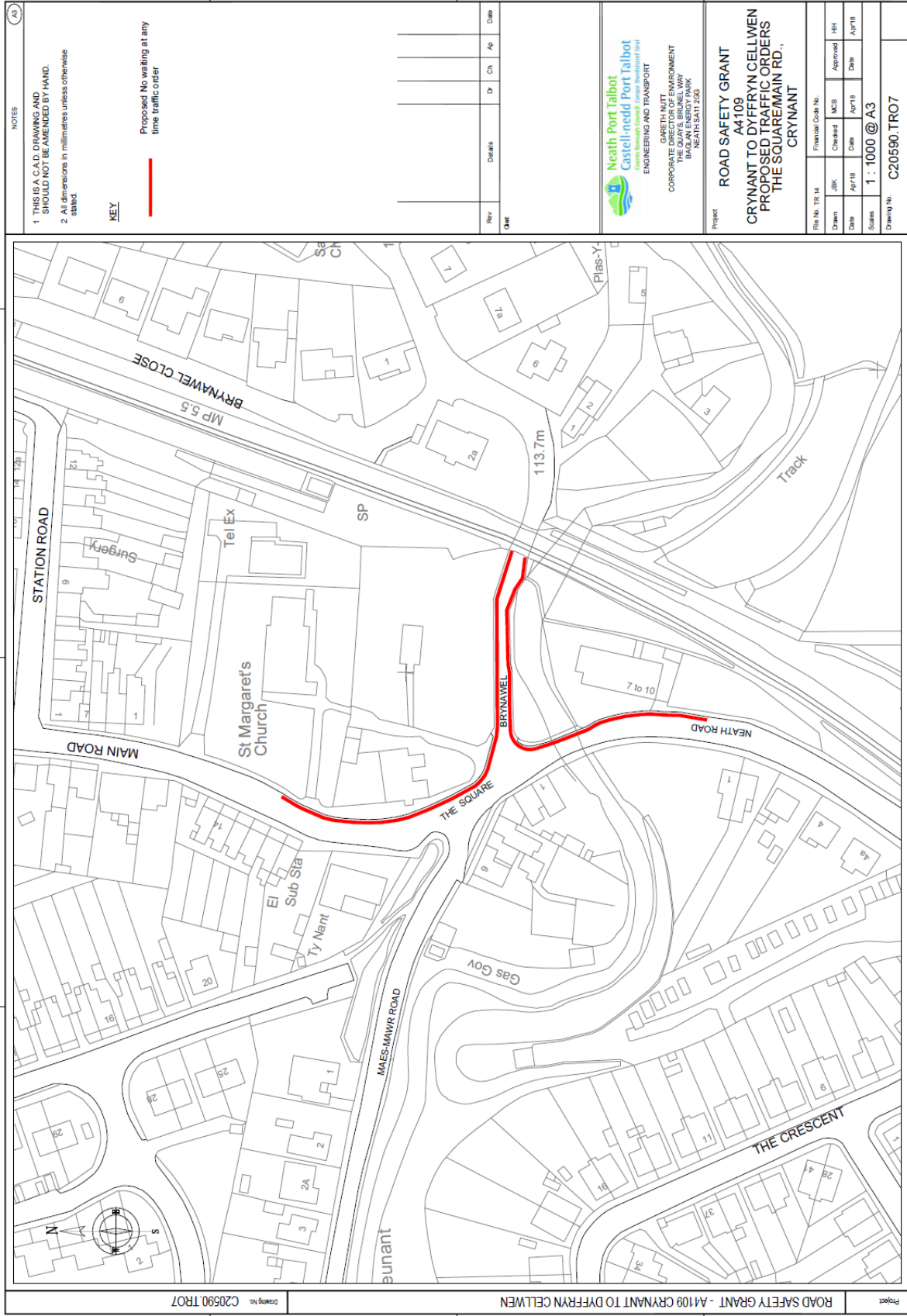
List of Background Papers

21. None.

Officer Contact

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Appendix A

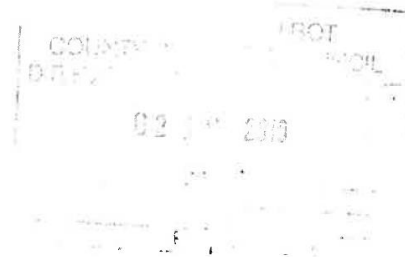


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Appendix B

Environment

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Dear Mr Kane,

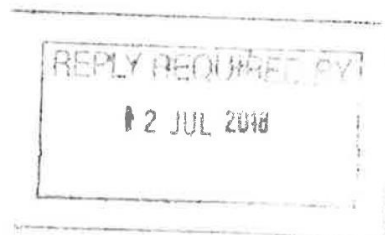
We have only just returned from holiday and that is why we are writing so close to your deadline.

We welcome a Proposed no waiting zone on the A4109 but we have reservations about the knock on effect to properties of the Square postcode SA10 8RR. We live at Crynant and we already have problems with people picking up and dropping off children at school times. We are worried that your proposal will make matters worse.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Engineering and Transport

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Re: No Waiting at Any Time Traffic order A4109-Crynant

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to object to the proposal to create a "No waiting at any time" zone to include Main Rd, The Square, Brynawel and Neath Rd as per Drawing No. C20590.TR07. I have several reasons for this objection outlined below:

I live in [redacted] and have done since 2001, I have parked in Brynawel [redacted] ever since that time without incident and I am unaware of any incidents in the indicated section of Brynawel in the last 17 years. I do not wish to park my vehicle out of sight as it is essential for my employment and being in full view is less likely to encourage theft or vandalism. I presume that some local residents have proposed this order as I am unaware of any reason why NPTCBC would consider this action otherwise. I would say that there has been no occasion when I or my partner, who is partially disabled and home most of the time, have ever seen anyone parked on that side main road. Occasionally there may briefly be vehicles outside [redacted] but generally these are delivery drivers who stop for directions or to visit the corner shop.

There are no road safety issues associated with stopped vehicles in any of the proposal areas and as far as I am aware there has only been one Road Traffic accident here and that involved two moving vehicles. Where I park my vehicle is at least 10m from the junction with The Square and the passable width is in excess of 12 feet, the summer Hay Bailing operations always pass without incident and this involves long wide vehicles. Driving through and around the proposed area is perfectly safe as long as drivers drive appropriately for the road layout and conditions.

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How are the two dwellings directly affected by the proposed order supposed to accept deliveries of bulky and/or heavy items generally delivered by large vehicles which would not be able to get off the carriageway or move the items such as building materials an extended distance. As an example say a resident goes to a party gets drunk and is sensible enough to get a Taxi home are they then expected to stagger the distance from an allowed stopping place to their home potentially causing a hazard?.

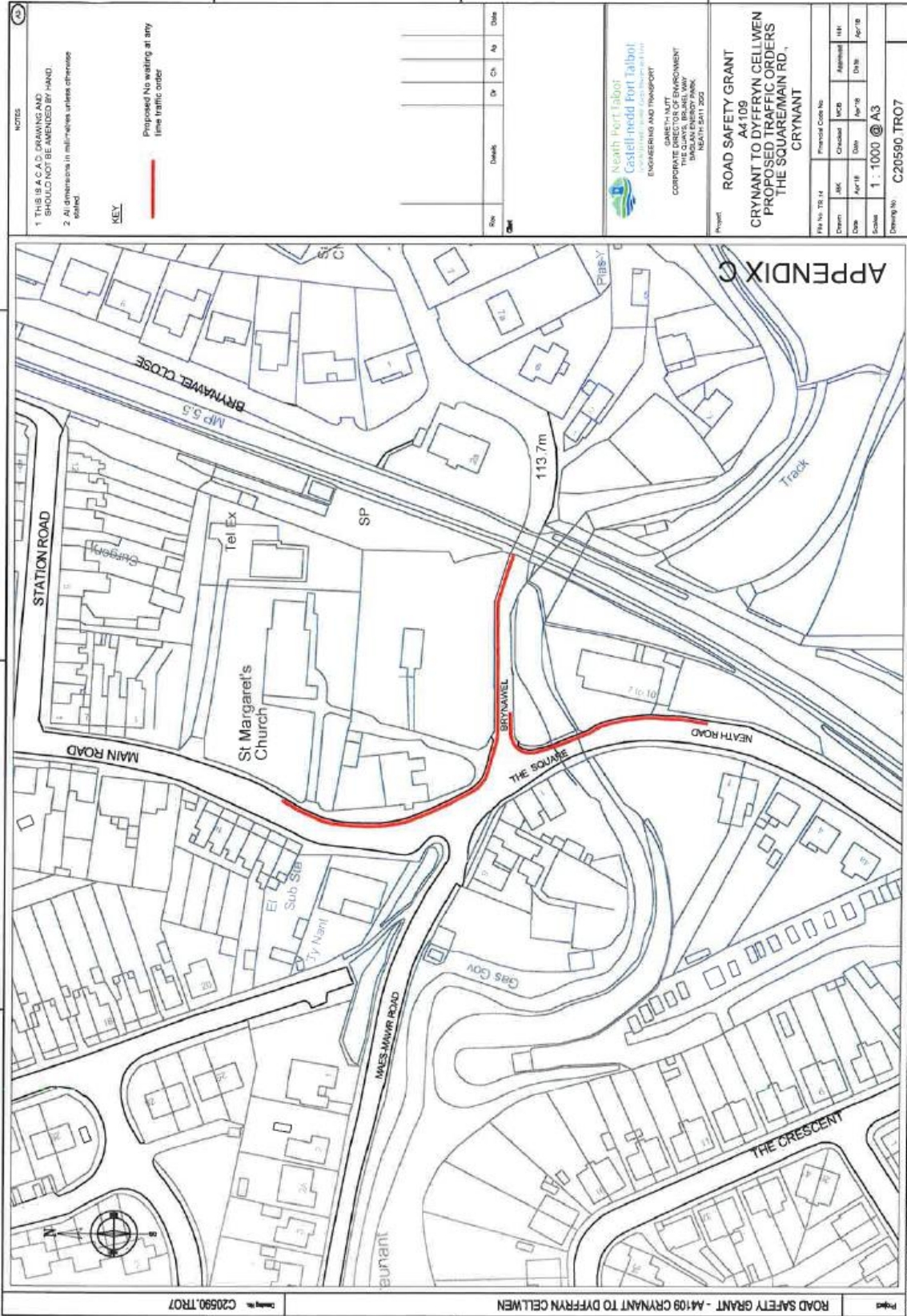
The proposed section of Brynawel is utilised by Visitors to St. Margarets Church and the associated Chapel of Ease, the graveyard, The Square and Shop, visitors to the church are generally for Weddings and Funerals and would be forced to park in potentially more problematic locations without the use of Brynawel.

I would also object to the proposal on the grounds of cost. I understand that the Traffic Order process can be fairly lengthy and expensive due to the legal Traffic Regulation order required to enforce the "No Waiting" order not to mention the materials and labour involved in acquiring and installing the necessary signage and road markings and of course the cost of enforcement. I find this un-necessary cost in time of cutbacks to essential services abhorrent and unjustifiable. I would propose that a mandatory enforced 20mph speed limit with traffic calming would be a far better use of resources if any has to be spent here.

If you require any further information or clarification please do not hesitate to contact me at the above address.

Yours faithfully,

Appendix C



NOTES

1 THIS IS A C.D. DRAWING AND SHOULD NOT BE REPRODUCED BY HAND

2 ALL DIMENSIONS IN MILLIMETRES UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

KEY

Proposed No waiting at any time traffic order

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Project: ROAD SAFETY GRANT
A4109
CRYNANT TO DYFFRYN CELLWEN
PROPOSED TRAFFIC ORDERS
THE SQUARE MAIN RD,
CRYNANT

Plan No: TS 14	Project Code No:
Drawn: JMK	Checked: NCB
Date: Apr 18	Approved: HHT
Scale: 1:1000 @ A3	Date: Apr 18
Drawing No: C20590.TRO7	