

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

20 SEPTEMBER 2019

STREETSCENE AND ENGINEERING CABINET BOARD

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: R.G.Jones and E.V.Latham (Chairperson)

Officers in Attendance:

A.Lewis, D.Griffiths and T.Davies

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor E.V.Latham be appointed Chairperson for the meeting.

2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Decision:

That the Minutes of the 5 July, 2019, be approved.

3. **ASH DIEBACK**

Decisions:

1. That the Environment Directorate develop an action plan including tree surveys to identify tree distribution, affected trees and the degree of infection.
2. That the Environment Directorate fell and dispose of trees as required based on the findings of the surveys and associated risk assessment.

3. That the council raise awareness of Ash Dieback disease via social media and other channels, and encourage members of the public to report trees which appear to be in poor health.
4. That the Environment Directorate liaise with private landowners who have trees near public highways, public footpaths and council property.
5. That the Environment Directorate pursue funding and carry out replacement tree planting to reduce the impact on biodiversity and local landscapes with suitable species such as Oak, Birch, Alder and Sycamore.

Reason for Decisions:

To manage the onset of Ash Dieback throughout the county borough ensuring that works are prioritised and carried out in a timely manner.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions will be implemented after the three day call in period.

4. **MEMORIAL TESTING**

Decisions:

1. That the memorial testing policy included as Appendix 2 to the circulated report, be adopted by the council.
2. That the memorial testing policy be added to the cemetery rules and regulations.
3. That a link to the policy be placed within the relevant section on the council's website.
4. That the Director of Environment and the Head of Streetcare be delegated authority to take decisions in respect of repairing memorials of historic significance where the owner cannot be traced.

Reason for Decisions:

To provide a clear and consistent approach to the management of memorials within this authority's cemeteries.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions will be implemented after the three day call in period.

5. **CHRISTMAS PARKING 2019**

Decision:

That free Christmas parking be granted in Neath, Port Talbot and Pontardawe Pay and Display car parks from Saturday 14th December 2019, to Wednesday 1st January 2020 inclusive (excluding The Gnoll, Afan Forest Country Park and Aberavon Seafront car parks).

Reason for Decision:

To attract Christmas shoppers to our town centres supporting local businesses.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

6. **LIST OF APPROVED CONTRACTORS**

Decisions:

That the following firms be added to the List of Approved Contractors:

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Categories</u>
MS Group t/a Architectural Stone	25, 36
Alternative Power Solutions	111
A & R Cleaning Services	105
Ark Fencing & Landscaping supplies	84
Bell Decorating Group Ltd	20

Borley Engineering Services Ltd t/a CMB West Ltd	39, 40
C K Communications Ltd	3, 47
Core Surveys Ltd	31
Glebe Contractors	77
ICE Electrical	41, 42, 43, 44
J2R Demolition Ltd	31, 79
Leftfield Environmental Ltd	31
Lewis Ashley Services Ltd	10
Lucion Environmental Ltd	31
McAvoy Group Ltd	10, 111
Metric Group Ltd	110, 111
Nationwide Platforms Ltd	2, 9, 111
Nicholls Colton Group Ltd	78, 111
Novus Property Solutions Ltd	12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 25, 26, 35, 36
Oakdale Haulage Ltd	111
Pearson's Landscapes Ltd	64, 77
Phillips Services (Wales) Ltd	47, 48, 57, 62, 109, 111
Premier Modular Ltd	10
R Hills Construction Ltd	71, 76, 77, 84, 85, 89
Smart Platforms Rental Ltd	88, 98
S R Middleton & Son Roofing Ltd	17b, 17d, 17e
Tom Pritchard Contracting Ltd	2, 6, 77, 79, 85, 102
Coating & Blasting Services Ltd	17e, 25, 36, 89, 105, 111
Warmserve Plumbing & Heating Ltd	37, 38, 45, 46
Brushdale Environmental Ltd	111

That the following firm be removed from the List of Approved Contractors:

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Categories</u>
Tremco Roofing UK Ltd	17a, 17b, 17c, 17d, 17e

Reason for Decisions:

To keep the List of Approved Contractors up to date and as far as possible, ensure a competitive procurement process, and to be able to supply a List of Approved Contractors for invitation to tender within the relevant category.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions will be implemented after the three day call in period.

7. **TRAFFIC ORDER - PENYARD ROAD, NEATH ABBEY, NEATH**

Decision:

That the objection be overruled in part and the Traffic Order (Prohibition of Waiting at Any Time at Penyard Road, Neath Abbey, Neath) be amended as indicated at Appendix B to the circulated report, and re-advertised as above. Should no objections be received, the Order be implemented, and the objectors informed accordingly.

Reason for Decision:

To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

A consultation exercise has been carried out on this item.

8. **TRAFFIC ORDER - PENSCYNOR, CILFREW**

Decision:

That the No Waiting, Loading or Unloading at Any Time and No Waiting at Any Time Traffic Regulation Orders at Penscynor, Aberdulais, be advertised, and should no objections be received, the Orders be implemented.

Reason for Decision:

To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of road safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item will be subject to external consultation.

9. **TRAFFIC ORDER - MAIN ROAD, BRYNCOCH, NEATH**

Decisions:

1. That the objection to the Traffic Order in the lane between Main Road and Furzeland Drive, Bryncoch, Neath, be upheld and removed from the scheme.
2. That the bus stop markings on Main Road, Bryncoch be shortened in length so that they do not extend across the residents driveway (as indicated in Appendix B to the circulated report).
3. That a 'H' Bar road marking be implemented across the driveways of 158 and 158A Main Road, Bryncoch, as requested by the local Councillor.
4. That the Traffic Order outside the Supermarket at Main Road, Bryncoch be implemented as advertised.
5. That the objectors be informed of the decisions.

Reason for Decisions:

To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item has been subject to external consultation.

10. **TRAFFIC ORDER - BURROWS ROAD, SKEWEN**

Decision:

That the Traffic Regulation Order for No Waiting, No Loading or Unloading at Any Time at Burrows Road, Skewen, Neath, (as detailed at Appendix A to the circulated report), be advertised, and subject to no objections being received, and subject to the approval of the grant of funding from the Members' Community Fund, the Orders be implemented.

Reason for Decision:

To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item will be subject to external consultation.

11. **TRAFFIC ORDER - YSTALYFERA**

Decisions:

1. That the proposed Traffic Regulation Orders for the traffic calming measures (speed cushions) and 20mph zone in Ystalyfera, as detailed within the circulated report, be withdrawn, and objectors informed accordingly.
2. That Welsh Government be notified on the community consultation feedback, and that the scheme be withdrawn from the Safe Routes in Communities programme, relating to the 20mph zone.

Reason for Decisions:

Due to the significant objections received from the community to the proposed Traffic Regulation Orders.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item has been subject to external consultation.

12. **TRAFFIC ORDER - A48 MARGAM, PORT TALBOT**

Decision:

That the Traffic Regulation Order (40mph Speed Limit on the A48 Margam, Port Talbot) be advertised, and if no objections are received, the Order be implemented.

Reason for Decision:

To reduce vehicular speeds in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item will be subject to external consultation.

13. **TRAFFIC ORDER - HEOL Y COEDCAE, Y CLOS AND GWERNANT, CWMLLYNFELL**

Decision:

That the no Waiting at Any Time Traffic Regulation Order and Speed Cushions Traffic Regulation Order at Heol Y Coedcae, Y Clos and Gwernant, Cwmllynfell (as detailed at Appendix A to the circulated report) be advertised, and subject to no objections being received, and subject to the approval of the grant of funding from the Members' Community Fund, the Orders implemented.

Reason for Decision:

To prevent indiscriminate parking and reduce traffic speed in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item will be subject to external consultation.

14. **TRAFFIC ORDER - PARK AVENUE, SKEWEN**

Decision:

That the Individual Disabled Parking Place at No. 52 Park Avenue, Skewen, SA10 6SA be implemented as advertised, the objection overruled, and the objector informed accordingly.

Reason for Decision:

A review of the medical assessment had been undertaken and found the original assessment to be robust and therefore meets the criteria for an Individual Disabled Parking Place.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item has been subject to external consultation.

15. **TRAFFIC ORDER - HILLSIDE, Highbury Court, Cook Rees Avenue & Westernmoor Road, Neath**

Decision:

That the No Waiting at Any Time Traffic Order at Hillside, Highbury Court, Cook Rees Avenue and Westernmoor Road, Neath be

implemented (but reduced on the northern side of Hillside by approximately 6m, as detailed at Appendix B to the circulated report), and the objector informed accordingly.

Reason for Decision:

To provide a safer environment for residents, motorists, pedestrians and cyclists.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item has been subject to external consultation.

16. **TRAFFIC ORDER - BRYNCOCH, NEATH**

Decisions:

1. That the Prohibition of Waiting at Any Time on Main Road, Furzeland Drive, Redwood Close and Firwood Close, Bryncoch, Neath be amended as indicated at Appendix B to the circulated report and implemented on site.
2. The proposed bus stop markings and Traffic Order on the west side of Main Road, Bryncoch, be omitted from the scheme.
3. That the objectors be informed of the decisions.

Reason for Decisions:

To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item has been subject to external consultation.

17. **TRAFFIC ORDER - SEAWARD AVENUE AND SEAWARD CLOSE, SANDFIELDS, PORT TALBOT**

Decision:

That the Traffic Regulation Order for No Waiting at Any Time at Seaward Avenue and Seaward Close, Sandfields, Port Talbot, be advertised, and should no objections be received, the Order be implemented.

Reason for Decision:

To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item will be subject to external consultation.

18. **TRAFFIC ORDER - ST. ILLTYD'S DRIVE, BAGLAN, PORT TALBOT**

Decision:

That the No Waiting at Any Time Traffic Regulation Order at St. Illtyd's Drive, Baglan, Port Talbot, be advertised, and should no objections be received, the Order be implemented.

Reason for Decision:

To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item will be subject to external consultation.

19. **TRAFFIC ORDER - TYN Y TWR, BWLCH ROAD, BAGLAN**

Decision:

That the No Waiting, No Loading or Unloading at Any Time Traffic Regulation Order at Tyn y Twr, Bwlch Road, Baglan, be advertised, and subject to no objections being received, and subject to the approval of the grant of funding from the Members' Community Fund, the Orders be implemented.

Reason for Decision:

To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item will be subject to external consultation.

20. **TRAFFIC ORDER - BRITON FERRY, MELIN AND NEATH**

Decision:

That the Traffic Regulation Orders for a 20mph Zone and Speed Cushions at Briton Ferry, Melin and Neath (as detailed at Appendices A, B and C to the circulated report), be approved and the objectors informed accordingly.

Reason for Decision:

To ensure the reduction of vehicular speed in the interest of road safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item has been subject to external consultation.

CHAIRPERSON