

NEATH PORT-TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

URGENCY ACTION

18th NOVEMBER 2020

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

Matter for Decision

Wards affected: Bryncoch South

(Revocation of existing orders) and the proposed Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Unloading at Anytime traffic regulation order at Ty'n Yr Heol and Cloda Avenue, Bryncoch.

Purpose of Report

To obtain Members approval to advertise the above scheme as indicated in Appendix A.

Executive Summary

The report outlines the proposed Traffic Regulation Order and the reason why the Order is required.

Background

Vehicles have been observed parking on the footways and at the junctions especially at both drop off and pick up times for Blaenhonddan Primary school. The indiscriminate parking is restricting visibility at the junctions for both pedestrian and traffic.

The proposed traffic regulations orders will prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of road safety.

Financial Impact

The work is to be funded by the Welsh Government.

Integrated Impact Assessment

A first stage impact assessment has been undertaken to assist the Council in discharging its legislative duties (under the Equality Act 2010, the Welsh Language Standards (No.1) Regulations 2015, the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

The first stage assessment, attached at Appendix B, has indicated that a more in-depth assessment is not required. A summary is included below:-

A full impact assessment is not required as the proposed traffic regulation orders will provide a benefit for the local community.

Valleys Community Impacts

There are '**No implications**' associated with this report.

Workforce Impacts

There are '**No Implications**' associated with this report.

Legal Impacts

The scheme is to be advertised for a 21 day period as part of the statutory process.

Risk Management Impacts

There are no risk management impacts associated with this report.

Consultation

A consultation exercise will be undertaken when the scheme is advertised.

Recommendations

It is recommended that in consultation with the Leader and relevant Cabinet Member that approval is given to advertise the (Revocation of existing orders) and the proposed Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Unloading at Anytime traffic regulation order at Ty'n Yr Heol and Cloda Avenue, Bryncoch (as detailed in Appendix A to the circulated report) and if no objections are received the proposals are to be implemented on site as advertised.

Reason for Proposed Decision

The proposed traffic regulations orders will prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of road safety.

Reason for Urgency

The time frame for the scheme is critical and the urgency action is necessary in order to meet the strict Welsh Government funding criteria whereby the scheme must be completed by the end of March 2021.

The delay in the authorisation of Road Safety Grant Schemes this year which was embargoed until late July 2020 due to the pandemic coupled with a delay on new Welsh Government guidance requirements on the advertisement of legal traffic orders due to Covid 19 restrictions means that time is extremely limited this year. Given the extent of the work involved unless the process is started immediately the scheme will be undeliverable and therefore the Council's ability to draw down the grant by the 31st of March 2021.

Appendices

Appendix A –Plan– Learner Travel Wales, Road Safety improvements, Blaenhonddan School, Bryncoch, Traffic Regulation Order.

Appendix B – Integrated Impact Assessment.

Background Papers

None.

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