# NEATH PORT-TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL CABINET

#### 6th JANUARY 2021

Report of Head of Engineering & Transport - Mr. D. W. Griffiths

**Matter for Decision** 

Wards affected: Margam

(BROMBIL ACCESS ROAD AND TUDOR GROVE, MARGAM)
(PROHIBITION OF WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING AT ANYTIME) ORDER 2020

#### **Purpose of Report**

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

# **Executive Summary**

The report outlines the comments received and the recommendations for the scheme.

# **Background**

The local Councillor and residents have expressed concerns regarding indiscriminate parking in the area. During the Covid 19 restrictions and the stay local advice there has been a significant increase in vehicles parking on the access road in order to visit the nearby country side and reservoir.

The indiscriminate parking is causing obstruction, traffic flow and visibility issues.

The proposed parking restrictions will prevent indiscriminate parking in the area in the interest of highway safety.

### Financial Impact

The work will be funded by the Capital Works Programme.

#### **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 order will provide a safe environment for motorists, pedestrians, cyclists, school children and residents.

#### **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 was 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 was undertaken in November 2020 with approximately 20 properties receiving hand delivered letters with a plan.

The following correspondence was received: - 5 letters in support, 3 letters of objection and 1 letter containing a question relating to the proposals.

A summary of comments received relating specifically to the proposed order is given below:-

- The turning area in Tudor Grove may receive displaced parking therefore the proposed order should be extended to this location.
- The amount of traffic over recent months has been absolutely horrendous.
- Residents find it difficult to access their properties due to double parking, parking on the footway.
- Residents have to reverse long distances and into a blind tunnel due to indiscriminate parking.
- The proposed order will stop residents and deliveries parking directly outside their properties.

The objections have been discussed with the local Councillor who supports the proposed traffic regulation order as advertised.

#### Recommendations

It is recommended that the objections are overruled to the (BROMBIL ACCESS ROAD AND TUDOR GROVE, MARGAM)(PROHIBITION OF WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING AT ANYTIME) ORDER 2020 (as detailed in Appendix A to the circulated report ) and the scheme be implemented on site as advertised. The objectors to be informed of the decision accordingly.

## **Reason for Proposed Decision**

To prevent indiscriminate parking in the interest of highway safety.

## Implementation of Decision:

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

# **Appendices**

Appendix A – Plan – Proposed No Waiting, Loading or Unloading at Anytime Order Brombil Access Road, Margam.

Appendix B – Integrated Impact Assessment.

# **Background Papers**

None.

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