NEATH PORT-TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL STREETSCENE AND ENGINEERING CABINET BOARD 24th September 2021

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

Matter for Decision

Wards affected: Altwen

(GWYN STREET AND HEOL PHILLIP, ALLTWEN, PONTARDAWE) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING AT ANY TIME) ORDER 2021

Purpose of Report

To consider the objection 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 traffic regulation order is required to prevent indiscriminate parking on the junction of Heol Phillip and Gwyn Street, Altwen in order to maintain the bus service into the locality.

The proposed scheme is indicated in Appendix A.

The proposed scheme will prevent indiscriminate parking and assist with traffic flow in the interest of road 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 benefit to the 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 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 June 2021 with approximately 14 properties receiving hand delivered letters with a plan.

One objection and one expression of support were received for the scheme.

The objector was concerned that the proposed parking restrictions would put additional pressure on the remaining parking capacity of the street but recognised the issues with the bus service being restricted due to indiscriminate parking on the junction. The objection has been discussed with the local Councillor who supports the scheme as advertised.

Recommendations

Having had due regard to the integrated impact assessment it is recommended that the objection is over ruled to the proposed (Gwyn Street and Heol Phillip, Alltwen, Pontardawe) (Prohibition of Waiting at Any time) order 2021 (as detailed in Appendix A to the circulated report) and the scheme be implemented as advertised. The objector to be informed of the decision accordingly

Reason for Proposed Decision

The proposed scheme will prevent indiscriminate parking and assist with traffic flow in the interest of road safety.

Implementation of Decision:

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

Appendices

Appendix A – Plan – Junction of Heol Phillip and Gwyn Street, Alltwen, Pontardawe. Proposed Prohibition of Waiting at Any time traffic order.

Appendix B – Integrated Impact Assessment.

Background Papers

None.

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