

NEATH PORT-TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

15th November 2021

Streetscene and Engineering Cabinet Board

URGENCY ACTION

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

Matter for Decision

Wards affected: Bryncoch South

Neath Abbey Road and Ffordd Yr Hen Gaer, Neath – Proposed Experimental No Waiting, Loading and Unloading At Any Time Order 2021.

Purpose of Report

To obtain approval to implement the above Experimental Traffic Regulation Order as indicated in Appendix A.

Executive Summary

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

Background

The Experimental Traffic Regulation Order is required as part of the offsite mitigation works conditioned in relation to Planning Application No P2019/5304 (ALDI supermarket development) on Neath Abbey Road and the internal access road now known as Ffordd Yr Hen Gaer.

Approval to advertise was previously sought at the 24th September 2021 Streetscene and Engineering Cabinet board. The developer has changed the extent of the access road and brought forward the store opening.

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 Developer.

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 Experimental Traffic Regulation Order will be implemented for a period of 18 months.

Risk Management Impacts

There are no risk management impacts associated with this report.

Consultation

The Experimental Traffic Regulation Order will be implemented for a period of 18 months. If no objections are received within the first 6 months the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order can be converted into a permanent Traffic Regulation Order. The Notice of Experimental Traffic Regulation order will be advertised in the local Newspaper and no enforcement can take place until 7 days have passed from the Notice going public.

Recommendations

Having had due regard to the integrated impact assessment it is recommended that approval is granted to implement the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order of Neath Abbey Road and Ffordd Yr Hen Gaer, Neath – Proposed Experimental No Waiting, Loading and Unloading At Any Time Order 2021 (as detailed in Appendix A to the circulated report).

Reason for Proposed Decision

To prevent indiscriminate parking and assist in traffic flow 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 scheduled opening of a new Aldi Store located within the site.

The scheme was previously given authorisation to advertise from the September 24th Streetscene and Engineering Cabinet board. However the developer has changed the site extent of the new access road (Ffordd Yr Hen Gaer) therefore we require urgent action to approve the new layout included in Appendix A. The Experimental Traffic Regulation Order is required in the interest of Road Safety.

Appendices

Appendix A – Plan – Neath Abbey Road and Ffordd Yr Hen Gaer, Neath – Proposed Experimental No Waiting, Loading and Unloading At Any Time Order 2021.

Appendix B – Integrated Impact Assessment.

Background Papers

None.

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