

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Streetscene & Engineering Cabinet Board

18 March 2022

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

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected: Neath North

Riverside (Brickyard Cottages), Neath Proposed Prohibition of Waiting, Loading or Unloading at Any Time traffic regulation order and Proposed Goods Loading Only traffic regulation order.

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the comments and objections received following the advertisement of the Riverside (Brickyard Cottages), Neath Proposed Prohibition of Waiting, Loading or Unloading at Any Time traffic regulation order and Proposed Goods Loading Only traffic regulation order, as indicated

Proposed Goods Loading Only traffic regulation order, as indicated in Appendix A.

Executive Summary:

The report outlines the proposed traffic regulation order which was formally advertised resulting in objections being received.

Background:

The traffic regulation order is required to prevent indiscriminate parking and to allow Goods Loading only on the highway. Riverside locally known as Brickyard Cottages has recently become an adopted highway and there is now a need to prevent indiscriminate parking in order to allow the free flow of traffic on the highway in the interest of road safety.

The proposed scheme is indicated in Appendix A.

Financial Impacts:

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 Communities Impacts:

There are 'No implications' associated with this report.

Workforce Impacts:

There are 'No Implications' associated with this report.

Legal Impacts:

The proposals were advertised for a 21-day period between 29th November 2021 and 20th December 2021.

Risk Management Impacts:

There are no risk management impacts associated with this report.

Consultation:

This item has been subject to external consultation.

A consultation exercise was undertaken in November/December 2021 with approximately 8 letters and plans delivered to the adjacent properties detailing the proposals.

Following a three-week consultation exercise 2 objections were received.

A summary of the objections received are given below:-

Objection:- Any officer observations/ comments are illustrated in italics in response to the points raised.

 Residents feel that the introduction of yellow lines outside of their property encroaches on private land and are not required.

- In order for vehicles to safely traverse the highway the proposed traffic regulation orders are required within the extent of the new adopted highway.
- The proposed goods loading only bay located outside Neath Athletic rugby club is not required as they have delivery lorry that park on Bridge Street and they use the footway to transport the deliveries into the clubhouse.

 Goods loading to the Athletic Club is required at the side entrance off the newly adopted highway (Riverside). This was previously prevented by boulders being placed on the highway.

The local members have been consulted and they support the scheme as advertised.

Recommendations:

Having had due regard to the integrated impact assessment it is recommended that the objections are overruled to the Riverside (Brickyard Cottages), Neath - Proposed Prohibition of Waiting, Loading or Unloading at Any Time traffic regulation order and Proposed Goods Loading Only traffic regulation order (as detailed in Appendix A to the circulated report) and that the scheme be implemented on site as advertised.

The objectors are to be informed of the decision accordingly.

Reasons for Proposed Decision:

To prevent indiscriminate parking and allow Goods Loading only 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 –Riverside (Brickyard Cottages), Neath. Proposed traffic regulation order.

Appendix B – Integrated Impact Assessment.

List of Background Papers:

None.

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