



Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot
Neath Port Talbot Council

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: All

Traffic Capital Programme 2022-2023: Proposed Traffic Regulation Orders.

Active Travel Schemes 2022-2023: Proposed Traffic Regulation Orders.

Purpose of the Report:

To obtain Members approval to advertise the traffic regulation orders associated with both the Council's Traffic Capital Programme and the Welsh Government funded Active Travel Programme as indicated in both Appendix A and Appendix B.

Executive Summary:

The Traffic Capital Programme consists of traffic management schemes relating to requests made by Council members, the public

and proposals put forward by officers of the Traffic Section, who have highlighted road safety issues. The proposals, if implemented require various legal traffic regulation orders to be made to alleviate/mitigate the issues raised in the interest of road traffic management.

The Active Travel Programme is approved by Welsh Government and consist of road safety measures associated with delivering Active Travel Routes. The proposals, if implemented require various legal traffic regulation orders to be made to alleviate/mitigate the issues raised in the interest of road traffic management.

Background:

Following confirmation of the Traffic Capital Programme, permission has to be sought from members for approval to advertise any scheme prior to making Legal orders.

Following confirmation of funding of the Active Travel Programme by the Welsh Government, permission has to be sought from members for approval to advertise any scheme prior to making Legal orders.

Financial Impacts:

The Traffic Capital Programme will be funded by the Capital Works Programme 2022-2023.

The Active Travel Programme 2022-2023 will 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 C, 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 pedestrians, cyclists, school children, motorists 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 schemes will be publicly advertised for the requisite 21 day statutory period as required by legislation.

Risk Management Impacts:

There are no risk management impacts associated with this report.

Consultation:

Initial consultation on each scheme contained in both the Traffic Capital Programme and the Active Travel Programme will be carried out with the local member(s) for each ward affected by a scheme prior to the formal consultation process undertaken with the public and any other affected bodies.

Recommendations:

Having had due regard to the integrated impact assessment it is recommended that approval is given to Traffic Section Officers, for schemes contained within the Traffic Capital Programme 2022-2023 (as detailed in Appendix A to the circulated report) and the Active Travel Programme 2022-2023 (as detailed in Appendix B to the circulated report) to be advertised in accordance with the statutory requirements. That the schemes be implemented in accordance with the relevant statutory requirements contained within the current Road Traffic Regulations, subject to there being no objections received. In the event of any objections being received in respect of any schemes, these will be reported back to the Streetscene and Engineering Cabinet Board for a decision.

Reasons for Proposed Decision:

The schemes are necessary in the interest of road safety, providing speed reduction and providing adequate parking provision within the Borough.

Implementation of Decision:

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

Appendices:

Appendix A – Summary of the proposed schemes for the Traffic Capital programme 2022-2023.

Appendix B – Summary of the proposed schemes for the Active Travel Programme 2022-2023.

Appendix C – Integrated Impact Assessment.

List of Background Papers:

None.

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