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NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT, REGENERATION AND STREETSCENE
SERVICES CABINET BOARD

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

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected: Neath North

PEN Y DRE, NEATH (REVOCAION OF LIMITED WAITING, 1 HOUR, RETURN PROHIBITED WITHIN 2 HOURS, MONDAY TO SATURDAY, 8AM TO 6PM, PERMIT HOLDERS EXEMPT) ORDER 2022

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the correspondence received following the advertisement of the Pen Y Dre, Neath (Revocation of Limited Waiting, 1 hour, Return Prohibited within 2 hours, Monday to Saturday, 8am to 6pm, Permit Holders Exempt) Order 2022, as indicated in Appendix A.

Executive Summary:

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

Background:

The Council received representations that a vehicular dropped crossing had been installed at No.19 Pen Y Dre, Neath and the existing traffic regulation order fronting the property would need to be revoked and removed to obtain access/egress.

The revocation of the existing traffic regulation order was required to remove a Limited Waiting, 1 hour, Return Prohibited within 2 hours, Monday to Saturday, 8am to 6pm, Permit Holders Exempt parking bay directly in front of the property.

The proposed scheme is indicated in Appendix A.

Financial Impacts:

The scheme is to be funded by the Council's Capital 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 revocation of the existing traffic regulation order will provide a safe environment for all highway users.

Valleys Communities Impacts:

There are 'No Implications' associated with this report.

Workforce Impacts:

There are 'No Implications' associated with this report.

Legal Impacts:

The proposal was advertised for a 21-day period in July / August 2022.

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 for a period of 21-days in July / August 2022.

There were 103 letters and plans hand delivered to the properties on Pen Y Dre detailing the proposals. Following a three-week consultation exercise, 1 statement of support and 11 statements of objection were received on the proposal.

A summary of the support and the objections received is given below:-

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

- a) A resident is fully supportive of the proposed changes to the Traffic Regulation Order.

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

- a) Residents object to the revocation as those who pay for permits already struggle to park on the street most days.
- b) Residents object as parking places are oversubscribed and currently there aren't enough spaces for residents to park.
- c) Residents object to the removal of the existing Traffic Regulation Order because this will make the parking situation on the street worse.
- d) Residents object to the revocation as parking is only on one side of the street and this will affect the whole street.
- e) Residents object as parking is extremely limited and many local business and shoppers choose to park in the street rather than pay for parking in town.
- f) Residents object as even with resident permits, people are not guaranteed to park on the street.
- g) Residents object because currently there is space for about 8 cars on a road with 20 houses already limiting the space for parking.

The objections have been considered and the Council agrees that the traffic regulation order should remain in-situ due to the limited availability of parking for residents on Pen Y Dre, Neath.

The Local Members have been consulted on the feedback received and support that the objections are upheld in full and the scheme is withdrawn.

Recommendations:

Having had due regard to the integrated impact assessment it is recommended that the objections are upheld in full to the Pen Y Dre, Neath (Revocation of Limited Waiting, 1 hour, Return Prohibited within 2 hours, Monday to Saturday, 8am to 6pm, Permit Holders Exempt) Order 2022 (as detailed in Appendix A to the circulated report) and that the scheme is withdrawn.

The objectors will be informed of the decision accordingly.

Reasons for Proposed Decision:

The order shall remain in place due to the limited availability of parking for residents on Pen Y Dre, Neath.

Implementation of Decision:

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

Appendices:

Appendix A – Plan – Pen Y Dre, Neath - Removal of Residential Parking Bay.

Appendix B – Integrated Impact Assessment.

List of Background Papers:

None

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