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<p>Ref. 1</p> <p>Ffoshelig Coaches Ltd.</p> <p>“Many coaches bring school children to the Leisure Centre on a daily basis. There are no coach parking bays at this location.”</p> <p>“With a waiting restriction at this location, can you tell me what provision will there be for visiting coaches?”</p> <p>“The nearest coach parking area is at Carmarthen Railway Station, where parking charges applies.”</p>	<p>Response:</p> <p>In response, it is recommended that a break is created in the proposed double yellow lines to insert a coach parking bay, capable of allowing two 12 metre long coach vehicles inside the bay.</p> <p>This amendment to the published proposals has been agreed with the Leisure Centre management and would constitute a less restrictive parking regime on the access road network for the Leisure centre.</p>
<p>Ref. 2</p> <p>ALLTYCNAP ROAD, JOHNSTOWN, CARMARTHEN</p> <p>“I am writing to you after phoning earlier in the day I should like to object to the proposed changes to the no waiting area at Carmarthen leisure Centre, in its present form as it makes no provision for off road perking after it comes into force.</p> <p>Until the car parks at the leisure centre are increased to absorb the displaced cars it will not work satisfactory, and could well discourage the members of the general public to use the centre with the relevant loss in revenue.”</p>	<p>Response:</p> <p>The proposed parking restrictions for the access road network within the Leisure Centre grounds is intended to avoid danger to pedestrians walking between the Leisure Centre building and the designated car parking areas. The impetus for the proposed restrictions was a reported incident whereby a vehicle that had been parked on the access road was observed to be reversing into the path of a parent child leaving the building. The proposed parking restrictions are intended to improve safety for users of the access road network within the grounds of the Leisure Centre.</p>
<p>Ref. 3</p> <p>LLANSTEFFAN ROAD, JOHNSTOWN, CARMARTHEN</p> <p>“1. TheMap that is Attached to the Public Notice is technically flawed, since the scale of the red line that extends out wards onto Llansteffan Road does not accurately represent the reference to the 20 metres north and 40 metres south. As you can see, the line is drawn such that it is 20 metres on each side.</p> <p>2. The way in which this Variation Order is couched ignores the wider issues that the County Council should be considering, rather than only responding to the obvious concerns that have been raised by the Management of the Leisure Centre.</p>	<p>Response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are double yellow lines along the access road network within the grounds of the Leisure Centre. These double yellow are not subject to a traffic regulation order. • The proposed parking restrictions for the access road network within the Leisure Centre grounds are intended to avoid danger to pedestrians walking between the Leisure Centre building and the designated car parking areas. The proposed restrictions are being sought by the Leisure

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<p>i. Approximately 160 metres to the north of this junction, there is a Pick Up / Drop Off 'lay-by'. It has a clear and visual sign at its entrance stating that parking there is limited to Picking Up and Dropping Off passengers. It is frequently the case that this lay-by is fully occupied by vans with a long wheel base, and cars, with no drivers present for long periods. "</p> <p>ii. The extension of the prohibition at the junction may serve to push the cars that now occasionally park there, further to the south, beyond the 40 metre prohibition zone. This serves to highlight the failure of the County Council Highways Department to properly liaise with its Education Department to ensure that visitors to Rhys y Gors School do not park on the main road. It also serves to highlight the fact that the County Council has not attempted to reduce the high density of parking along Llansteffan Road outside my property when there are football matches on the playing fields, owned by the County Council. This could be done by permitting cars to park at Rhyd y Gors School on the weekends and during holidays. An alternative suggestion is that the waiting prohibition is extended to the south as far as the delimitation of the 20mph speed limit.</p> <p>iii. The free flow of traffic along Llansteffan Road, outside school holiday periods, between 08.30 and 09.15, and again between 15.30 and 16.00, is severely hindered by the buses transporting children to school, entering and exiting Queen Elizabeth School.</p> <p>This is an opportunity to stagger this 'traffic'. One possible method of doing so would be that the County Council specifies in their contracts with the providers of this service that they do not all leave the school parking area at the same time. In summary, this Variation Order seems to seek a solution to a problem by defining the problem in such a narrow and restricted geographical fashion so as to ignore the wider canvas."</p>	<p>Centre Manager to address parking practices in this area that puts the safety of pedestrians at risk.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitors to the Leisure Centre car park may park in an over spill car park area adjoining the eastern boundary of the main visitor car park area. • The traffic order schedule has been checked, and found to be accurate. The description advises the reader that the proposed double lines start, from a distance 20 metres north of the 20 metres north of the centre of the junction, with the road leading to the Leisure Centre, and continue for a distance of 40 metres in a southerly direction. • The Council's Land Searches Unit has advised that the lay-by is part of the grounds of the Queen Elizabeth Highway school, and not the public highway maintained at the expense of the Council's Highway Services. A representation has been made to the Education Authority seeking their consent to instigate the statutory process to regulate the use of this off-road parking area. • Should the proposed parking restrictions along the access road network within the grounds of the Leisure Centre come into lawful effect, a programme of parking surveys along the section of Llansteffan Road between the entrance to the Leisure Centre and the southern-most 20mph speed limit gateway will be implemented to monitor the impacts of the restrictions within the grounds of the Leisure Centre. • With regards to the comments related to parking in the vicinity of Rhyd Y Gors School at school drop off and collection times and the opening of the grounds of Rhyd Y Goes School at weekends to enable parking within the school grounds, neither matter is within the power of the Highway Authority to directly address. The Council's Road Safety and Traffic

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	<p>Manager will meet with the Head Teacher of Rhys Y Gors School to assess the feasibility of both matters.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The request to stagger the departure times of the contracted school buses serving may not be feasible for the following reasons: - The current departure time of the contracted school buses serving Queen Elizabeth High (QEH) School has been scheduled to: -<ul style="list-style-type: none">• also accommodate the collection of students at Ysgol Bro Myrddin by three of the school buses serving QEH.• make connect with smaller feeder buses along the return journeys.There would be a financial impact of changing the departure time of the contracted school buses serving QEH due to the increase in contracted working time of school bus drivers. The school would also be required to extend the period of time that its staff are required to supervise the departure of pupils from the school.• The Council's Transport Strategy and Infrastructure Unit has committed to the installation in 2018/19 of a new controlled pedestrian crossing facility outside Queen Elizabeth School.

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