

CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR ENVIRONMENT

13TH OCTOBER 2021

Cabinet Member:	Portfolio:
Cllr. Hazel Evans	Environment
TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER FOR LLANELLI WAITING RESTRICTIONS AND STREET PARKING PLACES (VARIATION ORDER NO 38)	
Purpose: To consider Objections received to the advertised Order and determine whether the Traffic Regulation Order should be made.	
Recommendations / key decisions required: Approval is requested for recommendations 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4 as detailed within this report.	
Reasons: To fulfil the authority's statutory duty of securing the expeditious movement of traffic and to improve road safety.	
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Declaration of Personal Interest (if any):

None

Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any):

N/A

DECISION MADE:

Signed:

DATE: _____

CABINET MEMBER

The following section will be completed by the Democratic Services Officer in attendance at the meeting

Recommendation of Officer adopted	YES / NO
Recommendation of the Officer was adopted subject to the amendment(s) and reason(s) specified:	
Reason(s) why the Officer's recommendation was not adopted:	

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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1. Brief Summary of Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to consider the objections received in response to the following draft Traffic Regulation Order which has been advertised for comment and objection:

- **THE COUNTY OF CARMARTHENSHIRE (LLANELLI) (WAITING RESTRICTION AND STREET PARKING PLACES) CONSOLIDATION (VARIATION NO 38) ORDER 2020.**

A copy of the advertised draft Traffic Regulation Order is presented as Appendix 1 and accompanying plans illustrating the proposals attached in Appendix 2.

An outline of the objections received is presented and discussed below. A full copy of the objections will be available separately at the meeting for detailed consideration.

2. Discussion of Objections

The statutory consultation for the Order was undertaken in October 2020 and involved proposed changes to 46 sections of highway. During the consultation period the Council's Head of Administration and Law received ten objections related to four of the streets advertised. These are discussed below on a street-by-street basis. *Personal details have been removed.*

Pen yr Heol Drive, Llanelli

Proposal: The proposed changes would remove sections of existing double yellow lines.

Objection: Five objections were received expressing concerns that the removal of the restrictions would:

- a. Raise concerns that the revocation will lead to parking congestion and would like more restrictions introduced on the west side of the street.
- b. Object as the revocation is proposed on a 90 degree bend at the top of a hill. Parking would be impossible on both sides of the road and access to drives and rear lanes would also be affected.
- c. Put lives at risk due to delays for the emergency services in the event of an incident. There should be more restrictions on the street.
- d. Ridiculous and illogical proposal. Even with current parking restrictions large delivery vehicles have to reverse up the street and perform a five point turn to make deliveries.

Discussion: the proposal would allow more on-street parking opportunities, but a review of the site has been undertaken in light of the objections received and the recommendation is to withdraw the proposal from the Order.

Recommendation 2.1: that the proposals advertised not be implemented.

Llanelli Indoor Market, Llanelli

Proposal: The proposal would introduce a loading only bay at on the side street between Monday to Saturday 8am to 6pm for 30minutes with no return within 1 hour.

Objection: Two objections have been received, both raise a concern that:

- a. The proposal would not allow sufficient time for a business operating in the market to carry out their business and make deliveries to customers.

Discussion: The side road around the multi-storey car park and indoor market serves a number of purposes including access to the premises in the vicinity, and particularly emergency access should it be required, provision for loading and unloading for the many businesses and time limited parking for business customers.

The proposals advertised endeavour to meet these access needs whilst providing provision for businesses and customers in an orderly fashion.

		<p>The objections regarding the 30 minutes allocated for loading / unloading are noted.</p> <p>Maintaining this allowance at 30 minutes will help to ensure that there is a turnover of vehicles within the bays which will assist businesses and provide more parking opportunities. The time allocation is also consistent with adjacent 30 minute time limited waiting bays so there should be no confusion over time allowances for motorists.</p>
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Recommendation 2.2: that the proposals be implemented as advertised

Min y Mor, Llanelli

<p>Proposal: The proposal would introduce double yellow lines at the end of Min y Mor where there is a turning facility</p>	<p>Objection: Two objections have been received which raise concerns that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Whilst accepting access can be difficult due to on-street parking the objector points out that parking opportunities are limited and suggests it is unnecessary to restrict parking for the whole of the area proposed and suggests the County Council should do more to facilitate off-street parking. b. There is a lack of adequate parking in the street and introducing the restriction would devalue the property, increase costs and make parking inconvenient. Also of the view the County Council should assist with the creation of off-street parking. 	<p>Discussion: Parking in Min y Mor is limited and as a consequence is under considerable pressure.</p> <p>The site was reviewed following objections received and as a result the provision of residents parking was brought forward and advertised as a separate proposal within The County of Carmarthenshire (Llanelli) Special Parking Area (Residential) Parking Places (Variation Order No 8) 2021.</p> <p>This provides permit parking on the southern side of the turning area.</p> <p>It is proposed that the double yellow lines therefore only apply to the northern side of the road to ensure adequate turning space.</p>
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Recommendation 2.3: that the proposals advertised only be implemented on the north side of the street to enable residents to park on the southern side.

Bres Road, Llanelli

Proposal: The proposal would introduce a loading bay on the western side of the road and extend a limited waiting bay on the eastern side.

Objection: Objector concerned about impact on business and customer parking.

Discussion: There has been discussion with the objector to explain that the loading bay would be sufficient for 3 or 4 vehicles and the extension to the limited waiting provision would enable the parking of one additional vehicle. The discussion has allayed the business concerns and the objector does not wish to maintain an objection.

Recommendation 2.4: that the proposal be implemented as advertised.

REPORT ATTACHED?

**Appendix 1 - Copy of the advertised draft Traffic Regulation Order
Appendix 2 - Plans**

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: S.G. Pilliner

Head of Transportation and Highways

Policy and Crime & Disorder	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Organisational Development	Physical Assets
NONE	YES	YES	NONE	YES	NONE	NONE

Legal

The Traffic Regulation Order to be introduced by the Council's Head of Administration and Law.

Finance

All associated costs will be borne by the County Council's Traffic Management revenue budget

Risk Management Issues

The council has a statutory duty to ensure that its highways operate safely and efficiently, for all traffic including pedestrians.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: S.G.Pilliner

Head of Transportation and Highways

1. Scrutiny Committee

Not applicable

2. Local Member(s)

Cllr Eryl Morgan
Cllr Jeff Edmunds
Cllr Rob James
Cllr Shahana Najmi
Cllr John Jenkins
Cllr Suzy Curry
Cllr Andre McPherson
Cllr Rob Evans
Cllr Susan Phillips
Cllr Penny Edwards

No objections received.

3. Community / Town Council

Llanelli Town council – No Objections.
Llanelli Rural council – No objections.

4. Relevant Partners

Roads Policing Unit
Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service
NHS Wales Ambulance Service
Carmarthenshire Disability Partnership

No objections received.

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

Road Haulage Association, Freight Transport Association.
Local bus and taxi operators.

No objections received.

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

THERE ARE NONE