

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISION

26TH MAY 2016

Executive Board Member:	Portfolio:
Cllr. H Evans	Technical Services

OBJECTIONS TO A ONE WAY TRAFFIC RESTRICTION ON NORTH PARADE AND THE AVENUE, CARMARTHEN.

To consider objections from statutory consultees in relation to the making of a permanent Traffic Regulation Order needed to introduce a one way traffic restriction on North Parade and The Avenue, Carmarthen.

Recommendations / key decisions required:

That the objections are noted, but that the Traffic Regulation order is advertised, in the interests of creating a new vehicular access onto North Parade and thereby facilitating the restoration and viable future use of the historic listed former Infirmary building situated in a prominent position within Carmarthen.

Reasons:

In order to introduce a one way traffic restriction in a south easterly direction on the whole length of North Parade and to introduce a one way traffic restriction in a north westerly direction on the whole length of The Avenue.

In the interest of creating a new vehicular access to facilitate the conversion of the listed former infirmary site, located on the north-western side of North Parade, and, in the interest of creating a circuitous traffic flow system along North Parade and The Avenue.

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Declaration of Personal Interest (if any): **None**

Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any):

N/A

DECISION MADE:

Signed:

DATE: _____

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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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Traffic is required to be restricted to one way on North Parade to facilitate the opening of a new vehicular entrance on North Parade to serve the off-street car park to the rear of Hafan Tywi.

Under a condition of the planning approval to redevelop the former listed Infirmary building (Planning Ref. W/25480), the existing vehicular access for the car park for the existing residential units at Hafan Tywi onto Priory Street will be closed. It is proposed to create an alternative vehicular access onto North Parade for the existing car park for Hafan Tywi.

North Parade is a narrow street. There is a scheme of controlled residential parking bays along the eastern side of the street. Oncoming vehicles can only pass each other approx. mid point along North Parade, where there is a sufficient break in the residential parking bays to accommodate two way traffic flow.

The off street car park, bounded on the south by Hafan Tywi and to the north by the listed former Infirmary building, is located to the north west of North Parade. At the point on North Parade where it is intended to create a new vehicular access to this car park, the width of the carriageway is limited to one lane. Traffic movements on North Parade are required therefore to be restricted to one direction in order to facilitate the creation of a new vehicular access to this car park – i.e. to achieve the necessary vehicular turning area and driver sightlines required for the access.

A Traffic Regulation Order is required to be made by the County Council, as Highway Authority, to introduce a one way restriction adjacent to the listed former Infirmary site and Hafan Tywi.

The County Council therefore proposes to introduce a one way traffic restriction in a south easterly direction on the whole length of North Parade and to introduce a one way traffic restriction in a north westerly direction on the whole length of The Avenue.

The reasons for introducing the one way traffic order are to create a new vehicular access to facilitate the conversion of the listed former infirmary site, located on the north-western side of North Parade, and, to create a circuitous traffic flow system along North Parade and The Avenue, thereby reducing the potential for traffic conflict.

The County Council is required to consult with various statutory consultees at the preliminary stage of making a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO). The next stage in making a TRO would require the County Council to advertise the order in the local paper and place notices along

the affected roads.

The County Council has consulted the various statutory consultees about the one way traffic regulation order for North Parade and The Avenue, as detailed in Appendix 1 and Appendix 2.

An objection to the order has been received from County Cllr. Alun Lenny (on behalf of County Cllr. Jeff Thomas and Cllr. Lenny). A submission about the proposed order has been received from Carmarthen Town Council. These are detailed in Appendix 3 (Ref. 1 and Ref. 2) to the report.

Recommendation:

That the objections are noted, but that the Traffic Regulation order is advertised, in the interests of creating a new vehicular access onto North Parade and thereby facilitating the restoration and viable future use of the historic listed former Infirmary building situated in a prominent position within Carmarthen.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

NO

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 Transport & Engineering

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

1. Legal

The provision of regulated one way traffic system requires the County Council, as Highway Authority, to make a new Traffic Regulation Order.

Proposed traffic regulation orders must be formally published by the Council's Head of Administration and Law.

Traffic Regulation Orders are introduced by the Council's Head of Administration and Law.

2. Finance

The costs of publishing the order is to be borne by the developer of the conversion of the former Infirmary building.

The costs of implementing the one way system on North Parade is to be borne by the developer of the conversion of the former Infirmary building.

The costs of implementing the one way system on The Avenue is to be borne by the Council's Traffic Management section using its traffic management revenue budget.

CONSULTATIONS

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

Signed: S G Pilliner

Head of Transport & Engineering

1. Scrutiny Committee – N/A

2. Local Member(s)

Cllr. Alun Lenny and Cllr. Jeff Thomas object to the order, refer to Appendix 3 of the report.

3. Community / Town Council

Carmarthen Town Council made a submission about the order, refer to Appendix 3 of the report.

4. Relevant Partners

Dyfed Powys Police Roads Policing Unit - no objections received.

Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service - no objections received.

NHS Wales Ambulance Service - no objections received.

Wincanton - no objections received.

Road Haulage Association - no objections received.

Carmarthenshire Council Refuse Collection Service - no objections received.

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations - N/A

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Planning Ref. W/25480	W/25480	http://online.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/eaccessv2/PlanningAppRefSearchResults.aspx