

CABINET MEMBER DECISION MEETING FOR TRANSPORT, WASTE AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

15TH MAY 2023

Cabinet Member: Cllr. Edward Thomas	Portfolio Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste and Infrastructure Services	
TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER FOR FACTORY ROAD PEMBREY ON STREET PARKING PLACES ORDER 2022		
Purpose: To consider Objections received to the advertised Orders and determine whether the Traffic Regulation Orders should be made.		
Recommendation: That the objections be noted and that the Order be made.		
Reasons: To fulfil the authority's statutory duty of securing the expeditious movement of traffic, to improve road safety and to provide controlled parking areas for the benefit of residents and visitors to Pembrey.		
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Declaration of Personal Interest (if any):

Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any):

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:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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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 was advertised for comment and objection:

- **THE COUNTY OF CARMARTHENSHIRE (FACTORY ROAD, PEMBREY) (ON STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2022**

The purpose of the proposed Order is to designate a specific section of parking on Factory Road for permit holders. The permits would be available for equestrians to purchase to enable horseboxes and horse trailers to be parked at Pembrey. A charge of £20 per year would be made for the permit which would be reviewed annually.

Copies of the advertised draft Traffic Regulation Order is presented as Appendix 1.

A plan illustrating the advertised Orders are presented as 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.

Discussion of Objections

During the statutory consultation period the Council's Head of Administration and Law received representations from three objectors. These are discussed below with the removal of personal details.

Summary of objection	Discussion
<p>There is a lack of equestrian facilities in Carmarthenshire with riders feeling unsafe on roads which places a high demand on Pembrey. The objector also visits the area for other reasons and is of the view that they should not have to purchase an additional permit when not visiting for horse-riding. The proposed area is not big enough to cater for demand or wide enough. The facility should cater for horses being tied to vehicles and for ramps to be put down to move a horse into and out of the box. Signage need to be clear that the facility is for equestrians.</p>	<p>This facility will be the first of its kind in Carmarthenshire and its introduction is supported by the British Horse Society.</p> <p>The facility is being introduced to provide parking for equestrians which is currently very limited. The parking area would support equestrians wishing to ride on the beach or on nearby routes.</p> <p>Pembrey Forest is a Natural Resource Wales run facility which has only one parking space for horseboxes or lorries and a permit is required to ride in the Forest.</p> <p>Horseboxes and horse riding is not permitted within Pembrey Country Park itself.</p> <p>If motorists are visiting the area for reasons other than horse riding there is a pay & display car park nearby.</p> <p>The width of the facility will be maximised for users insofar as it does not compromise other road users.</p> <p>All traffic signs must comply with the Traffic Signs Regulations & General Directions 2016.</p>
<p>The facility needs to have provision for a ramp and unloading and loading. The permit system will put off casual visitors which may cause a road safety concern. The objector asks if there will be a limit to the number of permits.</p>	<p>The facility being provided will be as long and as wide as possible insofar as it does not compromise other road users.</p> <p>The facility would only be available to permit holders.</p> <p>There will be a limit on the number of permits available to each household to help ensure a fair distribution of permits.</p> <p>Loading and unloading is otherwise permitted on double yellow lines providing no obstruction is caused.</p>

<p>The facility should be longer and wider and equestrians will be frustrated having made the trip only to find no space to park. Objector used to use nearby public car park which is now subject to conditions and pay & display which prevents equestrian use. Objector believes other areas of grassland should be designated for parking if the permit area is full.</p>	<p>The facility being provided will be as long and as wide as possible insofar as it does not compromise other road users.</p> <p>The nearby car park was subject to a Parking Order introduced in 2019 which introduced pay & display and conditioned the car park's to be in line with other off-street car parks.</p> <p>The request for the use of grassland areas is outside the scope of this proposal.</p>
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Recommendation

It is recommended that the objections be noted and that the Order be made.

<p>DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?</p>	<p>NO</p>
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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 Highways and Transportation

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

Legal

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

Finance

The cost of the Traffic Regulation Order is funded from the Traffic Management revenue budget. The income from annual permits will be used to offset the costs of processing applications and enforcing the restriction.

CONSULTATIONS

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

Signed: **S.G. Pilliner**

Head of Highways and Transportation

- 1. Scrutiny Committee – N/A**
- 2. Local Member(s) - consulted as part of the Traffic Order process, no objections received.**
- 3. Community / Town Council – consulted as part of the Traffic Order process, no objections received.**
- 4. Relevant Partners - key stakeholder groups consulted as part of the Traffic Order process, 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:

There are none