

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL
TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT ENABLEMENT
BRECKNOCKSHIRE

28th May 2014

REPORT BY: Road Safety and Traffic Systems Manager

SUBJECT: Traffic Management – A40T Parking Restrictions and Crickhowell Parking Review Objections

REPORT FOR: Decision

Following the consultation of the proposed parking restrictions in Crickhowell, and overwhelming number of objections were received. In the main they were objecting with a broad brush approach to all of the proposals. There was also a petition with approx. 1900 signatures and an online petition of approx. 200 signatures again objecting to all of the proposals. There are concerns however, whether all the signatories, some of whom were from overseas, were fully aware of what exactly was being proposed.

In addition to the general objections, there were specific objections and support for the proposals. These are as follows:

Llanbedr Road

There were a number of letters in support and objecting to these proposals. It is recommended that the Prohibition of waiting is implemented but for a shorter distance from the junction of the A40T. The amended distances are indicated on the plan included.

Bridge Street/Castle Street/Lamb Lane

There was a high number of objections for these proposals with only one letter of support for the proposal in Lamb Lane. It is recommended that the objections are upheld and the restrictions are removed from the overall scheme.

High Street

There was only one specific letter of objection and one of support for this proposal. It is recommended that the objection is over-ruled and the limited waiting is implemented which will allow some additional parking on High Street.

Beacons Court

Only one objection was received for Beacons Court. It is recommended that it is over-ruled and the prohibition of waiting is implemented as parking along this narrow cul-de-sac obstructs passage of general vehicles and impedes the passage of refuse and emergency vehicles.

Everest Drive

Residents of Everest Drive generally objected to the prohibition of waiting at any time but suggested a lesser Order that only effects school times and a Monday to Friday 8am – 5pm be implemented instead. It is recommended to implement the lesser Order as this will still prevent the turning head being blocked at school times, which is when the problem occurs. It is also recommended that the length is shortened where it crosses the driveway of number 47 Everest Drive.

Cwmbeth Close

A number of objections have been received for this proposal. Following the installation of bollards on the verge, the issue of larger vehicles mounting the verge and causing damage has stopped. Therefore the additional parking restrictions are no longer required.

Beaufort Street and A40T Laybys

The objections for these proposals have been forwarded to Welsh Assembly Government for their consideration, and they have decided to over-rule the objections and implement the Order

Recommendation:	Reason for Recommendation:
Committee is asked to uphold the objections for Bridge Street, Castle Street, Lamb Lane and Cwmbeth Close.	Objectors felt that these restrictions were unnecessary and would take away on street parking which is already insufficient for residents and visitors.
Committee is asked to note and over-rule the objections for Beacons Court and High Street.	The on street parking on Beacons Court narrows the carriageway significantly and prevents access for refuse and emergency vehicles. The proposal for High Street will allow some extra limited parking bays for visitors to the town.
Committee is asked to note the objections for Everest Drive and introduce a lesser Order of No Waiting Mon-Fri 8am-5pm.	The parking is only an issue during school times as it is 6 th form pupils of Crickhowell High School that generally park there.
Committee is asked to note the objections for Llanbedr Road and reduce the length of the Prohibition of Waiting to the lengths shown on the plan.	To protect the busy junction from inconsiderate parking whilst still allowing some on street parking.

Relevant Policy (ies):		Local Transport Plan	
Within Policy:	Y	Within Budget:	Y
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