

## **Appendix 4 – Requirements and procedures for seeking authorisation for motorsport events under section 33 of the Road Traffic Act 1988:**

Organisers of motorsport events are required to use the application form on the Council's website, when applying to Powys County Council for consent under section 33 of the Road Traffic Act 1988.

The following requirements apply:

1. An application for authorisation must be made at least 8 weeks in advance of the event. Application forms will be acknowledged within 5 working days of receipt.
2. On receipt of a duly made application, the Council will endeavour to determine an application within 5 weeks.
3. To be duly made, an application must be accompanied by all of the following:
  - a. A clear Ordnance Survey plan (or equivalent.) Ordinarily, this must be to a scale no greater than 1:25,000. If the organiser wishes to provide a plan of a smaller scale e.g. 1:50,000, they must contact the Council in advance of submitting an application and explain their reasoning for proposing this. If this is considered acceptable, the Council will agree an alternative scale in writing. The route must be accurately and clearly drawn on the map with the location of footpaths, bridleways and restricted byways annotated. Electronic or hard copy formats will be accepted if legible.
  - b. Landowner and occupier consent in writing, which must be cross-referenced with the route map.
  - c. Payment for the appropriate fee.

If any of these items are not included, or there is a lack of clarity e.g. in relation to the way in which the route is drawn on the map, then the application will be returned within 5 working days of receipt without being processed. The organiser's attention will be drawn to any such problems so that they can be rectified.

4. A copy of the Motorsport UK route authorisation under the 1969 Regulations shall be included with every application, or provided to the Council within three working days after the event.
5. Organisers must fully comply with the Motor Vehicle (Competition and Trials) Regulations 1969 (as amended) unless authorised as a race or trial of speed under the 2018 Regulations. The regulations are interpreted within guidance as set out in the current Motorsport UK or ACU handbooks. Where there is conflict, the 1969 Regulations will take precedence.
6. Organisers are encouraged to consult Natural Resources Wales prior to making an application for authorisation under section 33 of the Road Traffic Act 1988. The Council is obliged to consult Natural Resources Wales when considering these applications. If a response from NRW is included with the application, together with details of any mitigation measures suggested by them, this will

allow the Council to process the application more quickly. The section 33 authorisation will include a condition to deliver protected site protection measures as agreed, and any mitigation suggested by the NRW at the Council's discretion.

7. If Motorsport UK/ACU signage (or similar) is not used, personalised signage must be agreed by the Council in advance of the event.
8. Where a footpath, bridleway or restricted byway proposed to be used by an event is on, or within land that is a SSSI, planning permission will be required under Schedule 2, Part 4, Class B.1(c)(i) B2 Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development Order) 1995.
9. Where an event route lies in whole or in part in a National Park, the event organiser must consult with the National Park Authority, as required under section 10(3) of The Motor Vehicles (Competition and Trials) Regulations 1969.