

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL
PORTFOLIO HOLDER DELEGATED DECISION
by
COUNTY COUNCILLOR HEULWEN HULME
(PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR HIGHWAYS)

REPORT AUTHOR: Area Traffic Officer South

SUBJECT: Maes Y Fynnon Bus Link Revocation Order

REPORT FOR: Decision

1. Summary

1.1 Powys County Council is in the process of appointing a contractor to construct a new social housing development of 32 dwellings at Heol-y-Ffynnon, in Brecon, as part of its commitment to construct 250 new properties over a five year period.

In order to provide appropriate access to the development it has been necessary to widen the existing bus link between Cradoc Close and Maes-y-Ffynnon, which will in future allow two-way traffic to flow along this section. Planning consent has been granted for these proposals.

2. Proposal

2.1 It is proposed to revoke the existing Traffic Regulation Order which currently only allows public service vehicles to operate on a one-way basis through the section of road to allow the two-way flow for all traffic on the newly widened bus link.

3. Options Considered / Available

3.1 The options considered were

1. Do nothing – leave the road network as existing which would not provide adequate access to the development and not meet the requirements of the planning consent.
2. Introduce the proposals – and allow two-way traffic along the newly widened former bus link to provide access to the development and meet the requirements of the planning consent.

4. Preferred Choice and Reasons

4.1 The preferred option would be option 2. This would allow two-way traffic along the newly widened bus link which will serve as the access to the proposed social housing development.

5. Impact Assessment

5.1 Is an impact assessment required? No

5.2 If yes is it attached? N/A

6. Corporate Improvement Plan

6.1 It is the Council's intention to improve our stock and your homes further, by raising the bar above the minimum requirements set out in the standard, by investing heavily in providing homes that you the residents are proud to live in. This development helps meet these targets.

7. Local Member(s)

7.1 Cllr Matthew Dorrance - I understand why the Council needs to consider access requirements to this new development and I support proposals to ensure safe access is provided. Therefore, I support the removal of the traffic order to allow two-way traffic along the newly widened former bus link if the following is provided:

1. Kerbed footpaths along both sides of the widened two-way traffic carriageway;
2. A cycle path to be included to promote active travel;
3. Safe crossing area for pedestrians to access the green space at the Wellfield;
4. Speed calming infrastructure to be built into the newly widened two-way road; and
5. A 20mph speed limit to be put in place.

8. Other Front Line Services

Does the recommendation impact on other services run by the Council or on behalf of the Council? No

If so, please provide their comments

9. Communications

Have Communications seen a copy of this report? Yes

Have they made a comment? Yes

The report is of public interest and requires proactive communication to publicise the recommendation/decision.

10. Support Services (Legal, Finance, Corporate Property, HR, ICT, Business Services)

10.1 Finance –.

10.2 Legal : Within our powers, subject to the correct process being followed hereafter.

11. Scrutiny

Has this report been scrutinised? No

If Yes what version or date of report has been scrutinised?

Please insert the comments.

What changes have been made since the date of Scrutiny and explain why Scrutiny recommendations have been accepted or rejected?

12. Statutory Officers

The Head of Finance (Section 151 Officer) notes the comment of the Finance Manager.

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer) has commented as follows:

13. Members' Interests

13.1 The Monitoring Officer is not aware of any specific interests that may arise in relation to this report. If the Portfolio Holder has an interest, he/ she should declare it, complete the relevant notification for and refer the matter to Cabinet for decision.

Recommendation:	Reason for Recommendation:
<p>1. To initiate the Traffic Regulation Order consultation procedure in accordance with The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.</p> <p>2. To resolve that consultation procedures be initiated and if no substantive objections are</p>	<p>To allow two-way traffic for all vehicles along the access route to the proposed social housing development</p>

received the proposal be implemented.	
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Relevant Policy (ies):			
Within Policy:	Y	Within Budget:	Y

Relevant Local Member(s):	Cllr Matthew Dorrance
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Person(s) To Implement Decision:	Jo Lancey
Date By When Decision To Be Implemented:	1 March 2020

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Background Papers used to prepare Report: