

BARGOED TOWN CENTRE AUDIT – JULY 2013

DATE	ISSUE	DEPARTMENT	PROGRESS UPDATE
23/01/08	<p><u>Morrisons Store Construction</u> <u>Bargoed</u> The construction of a new retail site as part of the Greater Bargoed Regeneration Scheme will allow a new food store to locate in the town.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>18/3 A December opening is anticipated, depending on the progress of the fit out. The steel structure of the store is ahead of schedule at present. 20/5 Simons has been awarded the fit-out contract. Scheme is on programme to open in early December 2013. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
5/03/12	<p><u>Cinema Development</u> <u>Bargoed</u> The scheme will include a cinema and new retail units.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>18/3 Planning application for the cinema has been submitted ref: 13/0135/LA. 20/5 Planning application has been approved and the procurement process for a contractor is underway. Work is anticipated to start on site December 2013/January 2014 with a 12-month build. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>

14/10/09	<p><u>Office Quarter High Street</u> Within the Town Centre Action Plan an area at the northern end of the town has been identified for creation of a new business quarter.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>18/3 The project is anticipated to start in late April and finish in late August. 20/5 Tender report is still being considered by Senior Officers. Work will be a 14-week build, with completion anticipated for late September 2013.</p>
28/06/11	<p><u>Steps Hanbury Road</u> A complaint has been received regarding the condition of the repairs on Hanbury Road steps.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Marcus Lloyd</i></p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>20/5 Engineers are currently completing drawing and costings, which will be considered upon completion of phase 3 works. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
21/02/12	<p><u>Phase 3 Works Hanbury Road/High Street</u> The third phase of the new public realm works will involve the laying of new pavements, drainage channels and road surface.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>14/1 Works are currently to programme, but delays are anticipated due to problems sourcing materials. 6/2 Update provided to TCMG 18/3 Programme planned for completion in August. 20/5 Work is anticipated to end in late August 2013. The miner's head artwork will subsequently be installed in September. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>

08/03/12	<p><u>Railway Station Fencing Station Road</u> Concern was raised by Cllrs at the TCMG about the condition of the chain-link fencing surround Bargoed Railway Station.</p>	<p>Transportation <i>Clive Campbell</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>6/2 Update provided to TCMG. 18/3 Has been taken forward as a reserve project for 2013/14 as SEWTA funding needs to be secured. 13/5 SEWTA funding information still awaited.</p>
08/03/12	<p><u>Street Market Town Centre</u> Following an approach by a Market Operator, the feasibility of a Street Market operating in the Town Centre is being investigated.</p>	<p>Town Centre Management <i>Andrew Highway</i></p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p>Highways <i>Clive Campbell</i></p> <p>Legal Services <i>John Rogers</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>20/5 The six-month trial is in progress and Officers continue to work with the market operators each week. Publicity also continues. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG. 13/6 Market operator decided to terminate the trial early and will not be continuing with market operation.</p>
25/04/12	<p><u>Illegal Parking Town Centre</u> A complaint was received from the Chamber of Trade regarding illegal parking in the Town Centre, which is causing problems for retailer deliveries and public transport.</p>	<p>Police Ins Greening</p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>20/5 Social Media is being used to educate people, but problem continues. Police are enforcing via tickets. The retro-fitting of bollards in the Southern end of the town is being considered to address the problem. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG</p>

05/10/12	<p><u>Parking Issues</u> <u>Lower High Street</u> There is a consistent problem of motorists parking on the pavement opposite the Original Factory Shop.</p>	<p>Police <i>Ins Greening</i></p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>20/5 More defensive street furniture was put in place to discourage parking, but problem continues. Police are enforcing. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
14/01/13	<p><u>Damage to Trees</u> <u>Hanbury Road Car Park</u> At the TCIG, Members reported that the trees in Hanbury Road are severely leaning and appear to be falling over – either through vandalism or high winds.</p>	<p>Transportation <i>Clive Campbell</i></p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>18/3 A new Tree Officer is now in post, with whom this matter will be discussed. 20/5 Have identified that the problem is often vandalism or lack of room for tree root growth. Budgets are being looked at to take remedial work forward. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
06/02/13	<p><u>New Bus Stop Traffic Flow Issues</u> <u>O/S Spar, Royal Square</u> Concern was expressed by Members and Police Officers at the TCMG about the issues on traffic flow that the new bus stop O/S Spar is having. As there is no dedicated bay, buses are stopping on the carriageway, which is causing traffic congestion.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p>Transportation <i>Clive Campbell</i></p> <p>Police <i>Ins Greening</i></p>	<p>18/3 A report will be given to the next TCMG meeting. 20/5 A report will be presented to the TCMG outlining potential remedial options and associated costs. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
13/03/13	<p><u>Insecure Property</u> <u>High Street</u> A Cllr. complaint was received in relation to the goods access gate on the former <i>Croeso Nisa</i> building, which was unlocked and opening into the footway during high winds.</p>	<p>Police <i>Ins Greening</i></p>	<p>20/3 Police made contact with the owner, who would secure the property on his return to the area. 20/5 Building is now secure, but owner is being sought to discuss their future plans for the building. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>

18/03/13	<p><u>Retail “Jobs Shop” Town Centre</u> Officers are to explore the possibility of utilising a vacant property within the town centre to provide a “jobs shop”, which would promote the employment opportunities offered by the Morrisons development.</p>	<p>Business Enterprise Support Team <i>Jan Bennett</i></p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>20/5 The Hugh James building was originally going to be used, but renovation costs are too high. Officers are looking into alternative buildings. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
18/03/13	<p><u>Unit Shops Lowry Plaza</u> The unit shops planned for the new Lowry Plaza will be actively promoted during construction to ensure that maximum occupancy is obtained in readiness for their opening.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>20/5 Potential tenants are currently being sought. One retailer may take three units. This retailer may be open at the same time as Morrisons. 5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
18/03/13	<p><u>Lighting of Angel Artwork St. Gwladys Car Park</u> Cllrs. requested that Officers investigate the possibility of lighting the new angel artwork near St. Gwladys Car Park to give it emphasis by night.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>20/5 Work has now been completed. Issue Closed 20/5</p>
20/05/13	<p><u>Morrisons Petrol Filling Station Bargoed</u> As part of the Morrisons development, a Petrol Filling Station will be constructed away from the retail plateau, alongside the “Angel Way” link road.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>5/6 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
21/05/13	<p><u>Overgrown Embankment St. Gwladys Car Park</u> The banking that overlooks St. Gwladys Car Park is overgrown and requires cutting to improve the appearance of the area.</p>	<p>Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i></p>	<p>22/5 The area is scheduled to be cut and tidied once the daffodils have died back.</p>

08/07/13	<p><u>Litter & Cigarette Ends</u> <u>Royal Square</u> A complaint has been received in relation to the amount of litter in the vicinity of the bus stop of Royal Square and the surrounding area.</p>	<p>Cleansing <i>Tony White</i></p> <p>Environmental Health <i>Lyndon Ross</i></p>	<p>9/7 The area has been cleansed and the bin availability in the area will be reconsidered.</p>
11/07/13	<p><u>Cleaning of War Memorial</u> <u>St. Gwladys Church</u> The war memorial has badly weathered and requires cleansing to remove the mould and improve its appearance.</p>	<p>Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i></p>	
15/07/13	<p><u>Damaged Border Stone</u> <u>St. Gwladys Church</u> A border stone below the War Memorial has become dislodged and damaged, requiring replacement.</p>	<p>Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i></p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	