

**RISCA TOWN CENTRE AUDIT – MAY 2013**

DATE	ISSUE	DEPARTMENT	PROGRESS UPDATE
01/04/11	<p><b><u>Artwork</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>                      The possibility of some artwork within Tredegar Grounds Park will be investigated to enhance the appearance of the park.</p> <p><b><u>Park Interpretation</u></b>                      The history of the park is to be researched and interpretation facilities installed. A floorscape or plaque will be installed and local schools will be involved in the project to provide community involvement and ownership.</p>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p><b>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</b></p> <p>24/10 Update to TCMG                      12/11 Officers continue to explore funding opportunities.                      14/1 New <i>Grantfinder</i> software is being used to source funding.                      18/3 Ongoing. Funding will be sought in the new financial year.</p>
01/04/11	<p><b><u>Zebra Crossing / Build out</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Street</u></b>                      There is no pedestrian crossing in the middle of the Town Centre. A zebra crossing will be considered for the middle of Tredegar Street.</p>	<p><b>Transportation</b>  <i>Clive Campbell</i></p>	<p><b>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</b></p> <p>14/1 The area has been assessed and a crossing is feasible. Funding of £40k would be needed and this has not been identified.                      18/3 A report will be going to the next TCMG meeting.                      27/3 Following an update to the TCMG, Cllr. James closed this item. It will be revisited if funding becomes available in the future.  <b>Issue Closed 27/3</b></p>

28/11/11	<p><b><u>New Footbridge</u></b>  <b><u>Rear of Lidl</u></b>  It was agreed to use Section 106 monies from the Tesco superstore development in order to build a footbridge across the river linking the store with the existing town centre.</p>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p><b>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</b></p> <p>24/10 Update to TCMG  12/11 Legal issues still ongoing.  14/1 CCBC Officers met with Lidl's agents and a contractor has now been appointed by Tesco.  18/3 A positive meeting took place with Tesco, but there is an element of redesign work needed due to unforeseen sewers. This will be re-costed by the contractors.  27/3 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
09/07/12	<p><b><u>Environmental Event</u></b>  <b><u>Event Space, Tredegar Grounds</u></b>  A mini environmental event is planned for mid-September. This will be the first event to take place on the newly installed event space in Tredegar Grounds.</p>	<p><b>Cleansing</b>  <i>Rhodri Lloyd</i></p>	<p><b>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</b></p> <p>29/1 Date changed to 6<sup>th</sup> March.  18/3 Successful event, which will take place again in the future. Thanks were given to all officers involved.  27/3 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
12/07/12	<p><b><u>Rumble Strips</u></b>  <b><u>Commercial Street &amp; Tredegar Street</u></b>  The rumble strips on the carriageway at both entrances to the town centre require attention. The strip on Tredegar Street is badly worn and Commercial Street requires reinstallation following the resurfacing works.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b>  <i>Marcus Lloyd</i></p>	<p><b>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</b></p> <p>14/1 On hold pending decisions on new crossing provision.  18/3 Subject to TCMG's decision on the pedestrian crossing.  27/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. Will be reinstalled in light of crossing decision.</p>

14/09/12	<p><b><u>Mural Painting - Toilet Block Commercial Street</u></b>  The disused toilet block is the first thing that visitors to the town centre see when they enter from the southern gateway. In order to improve the visual amenity of the building a mural will be painted on it by a local artist.</p>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>12/11 There has been weather issues. The artist is due to come back to complete.  14/1 Some minor works are still to be completed due to weather conditions. Will be completed within two weeks.  18/3 Work is complete.  <b>Issue Closed 18/3</b></p>
11/10/12	<p><b><u>Risca Discover More... Sign New Event Site</u></b>  A sign will be installed at the event site showing the Risca town centre branding.</p>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p><b>Town Centre Management</b>  <i>Andrew Highway</i></p>	<p>12/11 Due to be installed on event space. Still looking at designs.  14/1 Funding will be sought from the 2013/14 financial year budget.  18/3 Will be revisited in the new financial year.  27/3 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
24/10/12	<p><b><u>Skateboarding Problem Event Site, Tredegar Grounds</u></b>  Cllr. Passmore reported at the TCMG (24/10) that there is a problem with young people skateboarding on the new event site, which may damage the site and pose a danger to pedestrians and/or motorists.</p>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p><b>Town Centre Management</b>  <i>Andrew Highway</i></p>	<p>14/1 This could be deemed a conflict of interest due to safety aspects and will be referred back to the TCMG.  18/3 Officers have monitored. It would be very difficult to militate against the problem due to the location within the park.  <b>Issue Closed 18/3</b></p>
24/10/12	<p><b><u>Cycle Racks Palace Cinema, Tredegar Street</u></b>  Cllr. Passmore requested at the TCMG (24/10) whether Officers could look at the feasibility of installing cycle racks outside the Library.</p>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>14/1 Suitable locations near the Library are currently being looked at by Officers. A site meeting will be arranged in due course.  18/3 A location has been agreed and has been passed to NCS for installation.  27/3 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>

04/12/12	<p><b><u>Damage to Roof Toilets, Tredegar Street</u></b> The roof of the toilet block is in need of repair as water is leaking through and causing damage to the ceiling of the facilities.</p>	<p><b>Cleansing</b> <i>Tony White</i></p>	<p>14/1 Repair works are scheduled. 18/3 Roof has been renewed. Painting will take place in the new financial year. <b>Issue Closed 18/3</b></p>
14/01/13	<p><b><u>Centenary Event Palace Cinema, Tredegar Street</u></b> It was noted at the TCIG that the centenary event of the Palace Cinema falls on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2013. Officers agreed to look at arranging an event to mark the occasion.</p>	<p><b>Business Enterprise Support Team</b> <i>Paul Hudson</i></p> <p><b>Town Centre Management</b> <i>Andrew Highway</i></p>	<p>18/3 Officers will continue to plan the event. 27/3 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
01/02/13	<p><b><u>St. David's Day Event Tredegar Grounds Park, Tredegar Street</u></b> A lunchtime concert is planned to celebrate St. David's Day within the Town Centre. The event will consist of local schools and groups performing for the public from 12:00 onwards.</p>	<p><b>Business Enterprise Support Team</b> <i>Paul Hudson</i></p>	<p>18/3 Event was very well-received. Congratulations were sent to the Events Team. <b>Issue Closed 18/3</b></p>
18/02/13	<p><b><u>Extension of Scrap Car Storage Commercial Lane</u></b> A complaint has been received from a Commercial Street business that vehicles are being stored on parcels of land at the rear of their premises. Delivery of the vehicles is also causing obstructions within the lane.</p>	<p><b>Regulatory Planning</b> <i>Tim Stephens</i></p> <p><b>Police</b> <i>Ins Muirhead</i></p>	<p>18/3 The nature of the use is currently under investigation. Although it has been reported as a scrap use, relatively modern vehicles are being stored on the site. The details of the owner are being sought from the Land Registry.</p>
28/02/13	<p><b><u>Broken Manhole Cover Commercial Street</u></b> A manhole cover within the carriageway has become unseated and is moving within its housing each time a vehicle drives over it.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b> <i>Marcus Lloyd</i></p>	<p>4/3 Issue has been logged as CRM862680 18/3 Work is to be completed within 3 weeks.</p>

01/03/13	<p><b><u>Repainting of Fence</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  The fencing surrounding Tredegar Grounds requires repainting to improve its appearance as the existing paintwork is weathered and flaking.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b>  <i>Marcus Lloyd</i></p>	
22/03/13	<p><b><u>Pooling Water</u></b>  <b><u>Tesco Link Path, Commercial Street</u></b>  Water is pooling at the Commercial Street entrance to the Tesco link path. The pool is near an electricity box, which presents a danger.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b>  <i>Marcus Lloyd</i></p>	
24/03/13	<p><b><u>Walled Planter</u></b>  <b><u>O/S Risca House Inn, Commercial Street</u></b>  The walled planter that runs alongside the Risca House Inn car park requires cleaning and planting in readiness for the summer season.</p>	<p><b>Cleansing</b>  <i>Tony White</i></p> <p><b>Parks Services</b>  <i>Derek Price</i></p>	25/3 The power washing has been scheduled and the plants have been ordered for June planting schedule.
27/03/13	<p><b><u>Smoking and Cigarette Ends</u></b>  <b><u>O/S Palace Cinema, Tredegar Street</u></b>  At the TCMG, it was noted that a lot of people are smoking outside the Palace Cinema and dropping their cigarette ends on the pavement, causing a large amount of detritus to accumulate. Cllrs asked Officers to consider an enforcement campaign and possibility of a new bin.</p>	<p><b>Environmental Health</b>  <i>Lyndon Ross</i></p> <p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	27/3 A new bin is due to be installed in the area imminently. 8/4 The “No ifs, no butts” campaign will operate in the area to educate people and enforce where necessary.
27/03/13	<p><b><u>Summer Event</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  A summer event is being planned for the town centre within Tredegar Grounds, which will have the theme of “The Famous Forties”</p>	<p><b>Town Centre Management</b>  <i>Paul Hudson</i></p>	

27/03/13	<p><b><u>Seating Area</u></b>  <b><u>O/S Risca Pine Centre, Tredegar Street</u></b>  At the TCMG, Cllrs noted that the seating area at the northern end of Tredegar Street is in need of some attention. The planters are overgrown and the paved area beneath the benches requires grubbing out and power washing.</p>	<p><b>Cleansing</b>  <i>Tony White</i></p>	
27/03/13	<p><b><u>Loading Issues</u></b>  <b><u>O/S Animal Friends, Tredegar Street</u></b>  At the TCMG Cllr Rees reported an issue in relation to vehicles loading outside a business on Tredegar Street. A solution needs to be found that enables customers and delivery drivers to load/unload, whilst maintaining the traffic flow through the town centre.</p>	<p><b>Police</b>  <i>Ins Muirhead</i></p> <p><b>Town Centre Management</b>  <i>Andrew Highway</i></p> <p><b>Transportation</b>  <i>Clive Campbell</i></p>	13/5 Transportation will await information and advice from the Police and assist where necessary.
11/03/13	<p><b><u>Repair &amp; Repaint Benches in Park</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  The benches within the park have slats missing, which require repair and replacement. The benches also require repainting.</p>	<p><b>Parks Services</b>  <i>Derek Price</i></p>	
11/03/13	<p><b><u>Memorial Bench</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  A memorial bench for the late Mr. Miller is due to be installed in the park for the summer season.</p>	<p><b>Parks Services</b>  <i>Derek Price</i></p>	
11/03/13	<p><b><u>Memorial Tree</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  A tree in memory of the late Morgan James Hackling has been donated by the family and will be planted within Tredegar Grounds.</p>	<p><b>Parks Services</b>  <i>Derek Price</i></p>	

11/03/13	<p><b><u>Removal of Ivy</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  Overgrown ivy is attaching itself to the commemorative pillars around the entrances to the park and obscuring them, which requires removal and cutting back.</p>	<p><b>Parks Services</b>  <i>Derek Price</i></p>	
11/03/13	<p><b><u>Removal of Broken Tree Branches</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  Following the harsh winter weather, several trees within the park have sustained broken branches. These are to be removed to ensure the safety of those using the park.</p>	<p><b>Parks Services</b>  <i>Derek Price</i></p>	
11/03/13	<p><b><u>Reinstatement of “The Valleys &amp; Rivers of Islwyn”</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  The commemorative “Valleys &amp; Rivers of Islwyn”, which was installed in the Northeast corner of the park prior to reorganisation in 1996, has become overgrown, worn and obscured.</p>	<p><b>Parks Services</b>  <i>Derek Price</i></p>	
11/03/13	<p><b><u>Repainting of Picnic Benches</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  The picnic benches within the park require repainting in readiness for the summer season.</p>	<p><b>Parks Services</b>  <i>Derek Price</i></p>	
11/03/13	<p><b><u>Maintenance of Central Circle</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  The central circle within the park requires maintenance to improve its overall appearance. The paving is to be grubbed out, flower beds replanted and collapsed paving around one drain is to be built up.</p>	<p><b>Parks Services</b>  <i>Derek Price</i></p>	

23/04/13	<p><b><u>Refuse Collection Costs</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Street</u></b>  A business on Tredegar Street has expressed concern over the cost of their waste collections given the small amount of waste they generate.</p>	<p><b>Cleansing</b>  <i>Tony White</i></p> <p><b>Town Centre Management</b>  <i>Andrew Highway</i></p>	
24/04/13	<p><b><u>Entrance Cleaning – Grub Out</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  The paving at the entrance to Tredegar Grounds requires grubbing out and cleaning to improve its appearance.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b>  <i>Marcus Lloyd</i></p>	
24/04/13	<p><b><u>Clean Pillars</u></b>  <b><u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u></b>  The Grade II listed pillars at the entrance to Tredegar Grounds require cleaning. The lettering will also be repainted in gold.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b>  <i>Marcus Lloyd</i></p>	