

RISCA TOWN CENTRE AUDIT – SEPTEMBER 2013

DATE	ISSUE	DEPARTMENT	PROGRESS UPDATE
01/04/11	<p><u>Artwork</u> <u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u> The possibility of some artwork within Tredegar Grounds Park will be investigated to enhance the appearance of the park.</p> <p><u>Park Interpretation</u> 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>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>20/5 A meeting was held on 13th May to discuss ideas. Funding sources will now be sought using Grant Finder. 22/7 Funding is still being sought. Current plans focus on entrance and central area of the park, which will be presented to the TCMG in due course. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
28/11/11	<p><u>New Footbridge</u> <u>Rear of Lidl</u> 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>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>22/7 Lawyers from both parties agreed to extend the Section 106 agreement, but no additional progress has been made to date. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.</p>
12/07/12	<p><u>Rumble Strips</u> <u>Commercial Street & Tredegar Street</u> 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>Highways <i>Marcus Lloyd</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>22/7 Still awaiting site visit. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG. Site visit still awaited.</p>

11/10/12	<u>Risca Discover More... Sign</u> <u>New Event Site</u> A sign will be installed at the event site showing the Risca town centre branding.	Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i> Town Centre Management <i>Andrew Highway</i>	PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE 22/7 An artist has been commissioned and is currently producing some designs for the TCMG. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.
24/10/12	<u>Cycle Racks</u> <u>Palace Cinema, Tredegar Street</u> Cllr. Passmore requested at the TCMG (24/10) whether Officers could look at the feasibility of installing cycle racks outside the Library.	Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i>	PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE 22/7 Have agreed a location and obtained quotes from supplier. Waiting on NCS to install when costs approved. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.
14/01/13	<u>Centenary Event</u> <u>Palace Cinema, Tredegar Street</u> It was noted at the TCIG that the centenary event of the Palace Cinema falls on 13 th December 2013. Officers agreed to look at arranging an event to mark the occasion.	Business Enterprise Support Team <i>Paul Hudson</i> Town Centre Management <i>Andrew Highway</i>	PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE 22/7 Planning is ongoing and event is likely to coincide with the town's Christmas event. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.
18/02/13	<u>Extension of Scrap Car Storage</u> <u>Commercial Lane</u> 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.	Regulatory Planning <i>Tim Stephens</i> Police <i>Ins Muirhead</i>	PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE 22/7 Planning Enforcement Officers are still attempting to contact landowners to discuss a way forward. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.

01/03/13	<u>Repainting of Fence</u> <u>Tredegear Grounds, Tredegear Street</u> The fencing surrounding Tredegear Grounds requires repainting to improve its appearance as the existing paintwork is weathered and flaking.	Highways <i>Marcus Lloyd</i>	20/5 Works have commenced and will be ongoing for at several weeks. 22/7 Works have been completed. Issue Closed 22/7
24/03/13	<u>Walled Planter</u> <u>O/S Risca House Inn, Commercial Street</u> The walled planter that runs alongside the Risca House Inn car park requires cleaning and planting in readiness for the summer season.	Cleansing <i>Tony White</i> Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i>	PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE 20/5 Power washing has been undertaken and planting is on work schedule. 22/7 Planting is now complete. Issue Closed 22/7
27/03/13	<u>Smoking and Cigarette Ends</u> <u>O/S Palace Cinema, Tredegear Street</u> 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.	Environmental Health <i>Lyndon Ross</i> Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i>	PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE 20/5 A new general waste bin has been installed in the area. A dedicated cigarette bin will be considered following a site visit. 22/7 To be discussed at a future TCMG. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG
27/03/13	<u>Summer Event</u> <u>Tredegear Grounds, Tredegear Street</u> A summer event is being planned for the town centre within Tredegear Grounds, which will have the theme of "The Famous Forties"	Business Enterprise Support Team <i>Paul Hudson</i>	20/5 A report will be produced for the TCMG. 22/7 The event went ahead and was well received. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.

27/03/13	<u>Seating Area</u> <u>O/S Risca Pine Centre, Tredegar Street</u> 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.	Cleansing <i>Tony White</i>	20/5 Planters to be filled with new plants. Cleaning is on programme of works. 22/7 On programme to be undertaken this week.
27/03/13	<u>Loading Issues</u> <u>O/S Animal Friends, Tredegar Street</u> 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.	Police <i>Ins Muirhead</i> Town Centre Management <i>Andrew Highway</i> Transportation <i>Clive Campbell</i>	13/5 Transportation will await information and advice from the Police and assist where necessary. 22/7 Police are continuing to monitor and work with business. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.
11/03/13	<u>Repair & Repaint Benches in Park</u> <u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u> The benches within the park have slats missing, which require repair and replacement. The benches also require repainting.	Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i>	20/5 Following a site visit, a range of works for the park has been added to the summer schedule. 22/7 Works have been completed. Issue Closed 22/7
11/03/13	<u>Memorial Bench</u> <u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u> A memorial bench for the late Mr. Miller is due to be installed in the park for the summer season.	Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i>	PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE 22/7 A location has been identified and the bench is currently on order with the supplier. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.

11/03/13	<u>Memorial Tree</u> <u>Tredegear Grounds, Tredegear Street</u> A tree in memory of the late Morgan James Hackling has been donated by the family and will be planted within Tredegear Grounds.	Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i>	20/5 Following a site visit, a range of works for the park has been added to the summer schedule. 22/7 Tree is currently on order with the supplier and will be installed in the autumn. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.
11/03/13	<u>Removal of Ivy</u> <u>Tredegear Grounds, Tredegear Street</u> Overgrown ivy is attaching itself to the commemorative pillars around the entrances to the park and obscuring them, which requires removal and cutting back.	Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i>	20/5 Following a site visit, a range of works for the park has been added to the summer schedule. 22/7 Work Complete. Issue Closed 22/7
11/03/13	<u>Removal of Broken Tree Branches</u> <u>Tredegear Grounds, Tredegear Street</u> 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.	Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i>	20/5 Following a site visit, a range of works for the park has been added to the summer schedule. 22/7 Work complete. Issue Closed 22/7
11/03/13	<u>Reinstatement of “The Valleys & Rivers of Islwyn”</u> <u>Tredegear Grounds, Tredegear Street</u> The commemorative “Valleys & Rivers of Islwyn”, which was installed in the Northeast corner of the park prior to reorganisation in 1996, has become overgrown, worn and obscured.	Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i>	20/5 Following a site visit, a range of works for the park has been added to the summer schedule. 22/7 Earthworks will be carried out in September/October. 27/7 An update was provided to the TCMG.
11/03/13	<u>Repainting of Picnic Benches</u> <u>Tredegear Grounds, Tredegear Street</u> The picnic benches within the park require repainting in readiness for the summer season.	Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i>	20/5 Following a site visit, a range of works for the park has been added to the summer schedule. 22/7 Work complete. Issue Closed 22/7

11/03/13	<u>Maintenance of Central Circle</u> <u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u> 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.	Parks Services <i>Derek Price</i>	20/5 Following a site visit, a range of works for the park has been added to the summer schedule. 22/7 Work has been completed. Issue Closed 22/7
23/04/13	<u>Refuse Collection Costs</u> <u>Tredegar Street</u> A business on Tredegar Street has expressed concern over the cost of their waste collections given the small amount of waste they generate.	Cleansing <i>Tony White</i> Town Centre Management <i>Andrew Highway</i>	20/5 Officers have offered advice and options available to the business owner. 22/7 The Business has been advised. Issue Closed 22/7
24/04/13	<u>Entrance Cleaning – Grub Out</u> <u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u> The paving at the entrance to Tredegar Grounds requires grubbing out and cleaning to improve its appearance.	Highways <i>Marcus Lloyd</i>	20/5 Work will be completed as part of repainting of fence around park. 22/7 Work has been carried out. Issue Closed 22/7
24/04/13	<u>Clean Pillars</u> <u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u> The Grade II listed pillars at the entrance to Tredegar Grounds require cleaning. The lettering will also be repainted in gold.	Highways <i>Marcus Lloyd</i>	20/5 Work will be completed as part of repainting of fence around park. 22/7 Work complete. Issue Closed 22/7
16/05/13	<u>Fly Tipping</u> <u>Commercial Lane</u> Complaints have been received from a number of businesses on Commercial Street in relation an increasing incidence of fly tipping in Commercial Lane.	Cleansing <i>Tony White</i> Environmental Health <i>Lyndon Ross</i> Regulatory Planning <i>Tim Stephens</i>	22/7 Officers will continue to react as incidents are reported.

13/06/13	<u>Refurbishment of Benches</u> <u>Commercial Street</u> The benches near the bus stop at the eastern end of Commercial Street are worn and require repainting. The foundation paving also requires grubbing out.	Highways <i>Marcus Lloyd</i>	22/7 Works are on schedule, with some of the repairs already carried out.
17/07/13	<u>Condition of Landscaping</u> <u>Tredegar Grounds, Tredegar Street</u> A complaint was received from the Town Council in relation to the condition of the landscaping around the event site in Tredegar Grounds. The beds contain a lot of weeds.	Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i>	
19/08/13	<u>Drug Use</u> <u>Commercial Lane</u> Reports have been received of drug use on a parcel of land in Commercial Lane. The land runs alongside LIDL and backs onto the river.	Police <i>Ins Muirhead</i>	