

BARGOED TOWN CENTRE AUDIT – FEBRUARY 2017

DATE	ISSUE	DEPARTMENT	PROGRESS UPDATE
28/06/11	<p><u>Steps</u> <u>Hanbury Road</u> A complaint has been received regarding the condition of the repairs on Hanbury Road steps.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p>Parks <i>Mike Headington</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>18/10 An analysis of the steps' condition has been carried out. Whilst the steps are safe, they are visually unappealing. Refurbishment will cost around £75k – this funding is being sought. 13/12 Funding for the project is still being identified.</p>
25/04/12	<p><u>Illegal Parking</u> <u>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 <i>Ins Muirhead</i></p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>18/10 Enforcement and education continues. 13/12 No update could be provided. 7/2 Education, prevention and enforcement continues.</p>
18/03/13	<p><u>Unit Shops</u> <u>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>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>18/10 Unit 7 negotiations are nearing completion. Detailed discussions are underway for units 3&4. 13/12 Unit 7 has been let and is due to be opening in January 2017. Unit 3&4 is under negotiation.</p>

11/03/15	<p><u>Channel Block Damage Town Centre</u> At the TCMG it was noted that several of the granite channel blocks in the town centre are cracking.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>5/10 Update provided to the TCMG. 18/10 Core drilling into the foundations needs to be undertaken to investigate the cause of the failure. A traffic management plan will need to be implemented to allow this work to take place safely. 13/12 Money is needed for investigatory work. This has been identified in budgets for the 2017/18 financial year.</p>
16/06/15	<p><u>Development Plateau Phase 2 Town Centre</u> Following Odeon's decision not to pursue a cinema development in Bargoed, Officers will look at alternative uses for the site. Committee reports will be presented in due course.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>5/10 Update provided to the TCMG. 18/10 The soft market testing showed interest in a particular type of development. However, the report is still in draft. 13/12 The report has been finalised and is currently being considered by the Director.</p>
16/03/16	<p><u>Unlicensed Taxis Town Centre</u> In response to concerns over unlicensed taxis, a joint operation is being staged by the Council's Licensing section and Gwent Police. People are using social media to offer prearranged "lifts" to people, the concern being this puts passengers at risk both in terms of personal safety and from travelling in an unlicensed vehicle.</p>	<p>Police <i>Ins Muirhead</i></p> <p>Licensing <i>Myra McSherry</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>18/10 There are still reports of unlicensed taxis, but this number is low. A recent successful prosecution appears to be acting as a deterrent. Monitoring continues. 13/12 Monitoring and enforcement continues.</p>

			7/2 Proactive patrols continue as part of the "town safe" initiative.
17/06/16	<p><u>Feeder Pillar Access Issues</u> <u>Hanbury Square</u> One of the new feeder pillars on Hanbury Square is not rising from the ground automatically when the release mechanism is activated.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>18/10 The pistons have been delivered and are with Street Lighting for installation. 13/12 The new piston is due to be installed.</p>
23/06/16	<p><u>Faded Decorative Text</u> <u>Bus Station Link – High Street</u> The text embossed on the steps linking the bus station with High Street has faded and needs to be repainted.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>5/10 Update provided to the TCMG. 18/10 The underlying cause is being investigated and a quote for remedial work is being obtained. 13/12 Costs for the work have been obtained, but this is not currently a budgetary priority.</p>
21/07/16	<p><u>Edging Stone</u> <u>Bus Station Link – High Street</u> One of the edging stones on the steps leading to the bus station from High Street has broken.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>5/10 Update provided to the TCMG. 18/10 The replacement has yet to be delivered, but is on order. 13/12 The replacement is still awaited from China.</p>
30/08/16	<p><u>Resetting of Bollard</u> <u>Hanbury Square</u> One of the removable bollards on Hanbury Square is no longer sitting in its housing correctly, meaning that it cannot be locked.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	<p>18/10 A new bollard is on order. 13/12 Materials have been delivered and will be installed when possible.</p>

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09/09/16	<p><u>Weeds</u> <u>Hanbury Road Car Park</u> Cllr. Davies has informed Officers that weeds are growing throughout Hanbury Road car park, making the area look unsightly.</p>	<p>Transportation <i>Dean Smith</i></p> <p>Parks <i>Mike Headington</i></p>	<p>18/10 The weeds will be treated and removed when completely killed off. 13/12 The work has been completed. Issue Closed 13/12</p>
09/09/16	<p><u>Sloping Tree</u> <u>Hanbury Road Car Park</u> Cllr. Davies noted that one of the trees in Hanbury Road is growing from its pit at an angle or has been struck by a vehicle.</p>	<p>Transportation <i>Dean Smith</i></p> <p>Parks <i>Mike Headington</i></p>	<p>18/10 The cause is being investigated. 13/12 The tree is to be removed and replaced this winter.</p>
26/09/16	<p><u>'Stella' Filming</u> <u>Bargoed Town Centre</u> The production manager has met with Town Centre Management to ask for the Council's support in filming a Stella Christmas special in the town.</p>	<p>Town Centre Management <i>Andrew Highway</i></p> <p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p> <p>Police <i>Ins Muirhead</i></p>	<p>28/9 To create a blackout scene a request has been made to turn off of some street lamps. Also a 'false moon' needs to be parked in a loading bay O/S Poundworld. 13/12 Officers continue to support the production company staff wherever possible. 7/2 Staff of filming team need to be aware of parking restrictions in the town centre and police officers are available to assist in highlighting parking locations should the need arise.</p>
18/10/16	<p><u>Creation of Parking Area</u> <u>Lowry Plaza</u> At the TCIG, it was mentioned that discussions on revising the TRO to allow parking on Lowry Plaza are underway. If this goes ahead, lines and signs will be installed to create a small, designated car park.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p>Transportation <i>Dean Smith</i></p>	<p>13/12 The Traffic Regulation Order review is currently ongoing.</p>

18/10/16	<p><u>Movement of Granite Blocks</u> <u>Town Centre</u> The defensive granite blocks throughout the town are being moved by vehicles so that the spaces between them are large enough to park in.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>13/12 The blocks are being moved back into position whenever they are dislodged. However, they cannot be secured in place due to health & safety implications.</p>
05/01/17	<p><u>Removal of Rubbish</u> <u>Bargoed Gateway</u> Local Members had reported that there was a lot of rubbish dumped on the banking alongside the footpath linking Bargoed Gateway with Eastview Terrace.</p>	<p>Cleansing <i>Tony White</i></p> <p>Town Centre Management <i>Andrew Highway</i></p>	
06/01/17	<p><u>Repair of Footpath Surface</u> <u>Bargoed Gateway</u> A plastic wheelie bin has been set alight on the footpath between Bargoed Gateway and Eastview Terrace. The fire has damaged the tarmac surface and left a large mound of molten plastic on the footpath.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	