

## BARGOED TOWN CENTRE AUDIT – FEBRUARY 2018

DATE	ISSUE	DEPARTMENT	PROGRESS UPDATE
28/06/11	<p><b><u>Steps</u></b> <b><u>Hanbury Road</u></b> A complaint has been received regarding the condition of the repairs on Hanbury Road steps.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b> <i>Gavin Barry</i></p> <p><b>Urban Renewal</b> <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p><b>Parks</b> <i>Mike Headington</i></p>	<p><b>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</b></p> <p>26/9 Funding is still being sought. 11/10 An update was provided to the TCMG. 21/11 A site meeting was recently held and a minor repair scheme has been agreed to improve the appearance of the steps. A replacement surface for the steps is also being considered, but the manufacturer of the product needs to visit site.</p>
25/04/12	<p><b><u>Illegal Parking</u></b> <b><u>Town Centre</u></b> 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><b>Police</b> <i>Ins O'Keefe</i></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>26/9 Education and enforcement continues. 11/10 An update was provided to the TCMG. 21/11 A site meeting took place and options for additional bays throughout the town centre will be considered.</p>
18/03/13	<p><b><u>Unit Shops</u></b> <b><u>Lowry Plaza</u></b> 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><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>26/9 The lease for units 3&amp;4 will be completed shortly. 11/10 An update was provided to the TCMG. 21/11 The lease for units 3&amp;4 is due to be signed shortly.</p>

11/03/15	<p><b><u>Channel Block Damage Town Centre</u></b> At the TCMG it was noted that several of the granite channel blocks in the town centre are cracking.</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>26/9 Preparatory work to carry out the core drilling is ongoing. 21/11 A road closure is required to carry out the core drilling to obtain cement samples. This will not be done in the run up to Christmas, so will be arranged in the New Year.</p>
16/06/15	<p><b><u>Development Plateau Phase 2 Town Centre</u></b> 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><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>26/9 Officers are working with a pub-restaurant chain that has shown interest in the site. 11/10 An update was provided to the TCMG. 21/11 The interested pub-restaurant chain has sent senior executives to site and continue to explore the opportunity. Officers are working on a Cabinet report, which will be considered in due course.</p>
23/06/16	<p><b><u>Faded Decorative Text Bus Station Link – High Street</u></b> The text embossed on the steps linking the bus station with High Street has faded and needs to be repainted.</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>26/9 The work will be carried out when a budget has been identified. 21/11 This work will be completed when budgets allow.</p>

21/07/16	<p><b><u>Edging Stone</u></b>  <b><u>Bus Station Link – High Street</u></b>  One of the edging stones on the steps leading to the bus station from High Street has broken.</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>26/9 Delivery is imminent and the stone will be installed in due course.  21/11 NCS has carried out a temporary repair while the replacement stone is awaited.</p>
18/10/16	<p><b><u>Movement of Granite Blocks</u></b>  <b><u>Town Centre</u></b>  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><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>26/9 The blocks will be repositioned and possibly secured this financial year.  21/11 The granite blocks will be repositioned and secured when new bollards are installed in the town centre. The work will be completed via a Sunday road closure.</p>
14/02/17	<p><b><u>Insecure Carriageway Grills</u></b>  <b><u>Town Centre</u></b>  At the TCIG, Cllr. Davies noted that the grills in the carriageway throughout the town centre are working loose and rattling when traffic passes over them.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b>  <i>Gavin Barry</i></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>26/9 NCS staff have tightened as many grills as possible. The issue of a latent defect in the design will be looked at.  11/10 An update was provided to the TCMG.  21/11 The grills have been re-secured wherever possible. A latent defect claim against the installation contractor is being considered.</p>

30/05/17	<p><b><u>Report by Gough Thorne Solicitors Reference Bus Stop Location Hanbury Road O/S Gough Thorne</u></b>  The Council has received a report by Gough Thorne Solicitors outlining a number of issues of concern in relation to the position and usage of the bus stop outside their property.</p>	<p><b>Transportation</b>  <i>Dean Smith</i></p> <p><b>Police</b>  <i>Ins O'Keefe</i></p> <p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p><b>Town Centre Management</b>  <i>Andrew Highway</i></p>	<p><b>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</b></p> <p>11/10 An update was provided to the TCMG.  21/11 The report was considered and no further correspondence has been received.  <b>Issue Closed 21/11</b></p>
30/05/17	<p><b><u>Tables &amp; Chairs on Public Highway With Consent Town Centre</u></b>  Reports have been received of premises placing tables and chairs on the pavement and persons consuming alcohol whilst seated outside.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b>  <i>Gavin Barry</i></p> <p><b>Licensing</b>  <i>Myra McSherry</i></p> <p><b>Police</b>  <i>Ins O'Keefe</i></p> <p><b>Community Safety</b>  <i>Paul Wallen</i></p>	<p><b>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</b></p> <p>26/9 Both premises have been advised that they do not have a permit for alcohol to be consumed on the Highway. The tables and chairs licence only relates to the consumption of food and non-alcoholic beverages.  21/11 Both premises have been given the appropriate licence applications, but these have not yet been submitted.</p>
01/08/17	<p><b><u>Missing Coping Stones Southern Punch-Through</u></b>  Some coping stones are missing from the steps joining Cardiff Road with Bargoed Gateway.</p>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>26/9 Replacement stones will be ordered.  21/11 This is possibly a latent defect as the stones should have been pinned in place. Officers are investigating.</p>
01/08/2017	<p><b><u>Damaged Render Northern Punch-Through</u></b>  Some render alongside the link between the bus station and Lower High Street is damaged and coming away from the building.</p>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>26/9 This has been passed back to the original contractor as a latent defect.  21/11 The contractor has re-rendered the area.  <b>Issue Closed 21/11</b></p>

21/08/17	<p><b><u>Condition of Daffodil Artwork</u></b>  <b><u>Pocket Park, Hanbury Road Car Park</u></b>  The daffodil artwork and surrounding area is in need of cleaning to improve its appearance.</p>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p><b>Cleansing</b>  <i>Tony White</i></p>	<p>26/9 The area has been cleaned and the artist has been contacted to discuss the best way to safely clean the sculpture.  21/11 The work to the artwork is part of a wider artwork maintenance scheme that will be ongoing for several months.</p>
22/09/17	<p><b><u>Broken Bin</u></b>  <b><u>Entrance to Emporium Car Park</u></b>  Bargoed Town Council has reported a damaged bin at the entrance to the Emporium Car Park, which needs repair or replacement.</p>	<p><b>Cleansing</b>  <i>Tony White</i></p>	<p>21/11 A new bin has now been installed.  <b>Issue Closed 21/11</b></p>
06/10/17	<p><b><u>Damaged Street Scene</u></b>  <b><u>Lowry Plaza</u></b>  A recent audit of the area has revealed a number of items that have become broken or subject to damage and are in need of repair:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Broken circular stainless steel bench;</li> <li>2. Broken paving slab;</li> <li>3. Dislodged coping stone.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b>  <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>21/11 The issues are being remedied by officers in consultation with the surveyor.</p>
12/10/17	<p><b><u>Cleansing Issues</u></b>  <b><u>Bargoed Bus Station</u></b>  At the TCMG on 11/10, members expressed concern over the condition of the bus station in terms of cleanliness and asked for it to be reviewed.</p>	<p><b>Transportation</b>  <i>Dean Smith</i></p>	<p>21/11 Costs are being obtained to power wash the panels.</p>

17/10/17	<p><b><u>Civil Parking Enforcement</u></b> <b><u>Town Centre</u></b></p> <p>Following the decision by Gwent Police to transfer on-street parking enforcement duties to the local authorities across the Gwent area, Council officers are working alongside colleagues in neighbouring authorities and Gwent Police to explore the various options available. Any proposals will be subject to a wider consultation with Members prior to seeking Cabinet confirmation and Council approval.</p>	<p><b>Transportation</b> <i>Dean Smith</i></p>	<p>11/10 An update was provided to the TCMG. 21/11 A briefing note will be going to Cabinet and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee in December.</p>
23/10/17	<p><b><u>Cleansing Issues</u></b> <b><u>Town Centre</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Price has asked if some areas of the town could be cleaned, namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Royal Square – there is a lot of algae growth on the paving slabs;</li> <li>• Emporium Snooker Club – there are a large number of cigarette ends accumulating in the area;</li> <li>• Some fridges have been dumped in the town.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Cleansing</b> <i>Tony White</i></p> <p><b>Highways</b> <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	<p>21/11 All work has been completed. <b>Issue Closed 21/11</b></p>
23/10/17	<p><b><u>Gully Cleansing</u></b> <b><u>Town Centre</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Price has requested that the drainage gullies throughout the town are cleaned as they have some significant vegetation growth within.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b> <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	<p>21/11 The work is being carried out over the last two weeks of November.</p>
23/10/17	<p><b><u>Damage to Miners' Heads Artwork</u></b> <b><u>Hanbury Square</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Price has reported that the Miners' Heads artwork has been damaged and has a hole in it.</p>	<p><b>Urban Renewal</b> <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>21/11 This forms part of the ongoing wider artwork maintenance programme.</p>

10/01/18	<p><b><u>Antisocial Behaviour</u></b>  <b><u>Morrisons, Bargoed Gateway</u></b>  The Manager of Morrisons has reported an increase in antisocial behaviour in and around the store, particularly in the lower level of the car park.</p>	<p><b>Police</b>  <i>Ins O'Keefe</i></p> <p><b>Community Safety</b>  <i>Paul Wallen</i></p>	
15/01/18	<p><b><u>Broken Channel Block</u></b>  <b><u>O/S Gus Jones, Hanbury Road</u></b>  One of the channel blocks on Hanbury Road has been badly damaged, leaving a large hole in the carriageway surface.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b>  <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	
31/01/18	<p><b><u>Broken Bin</u></b>  <b><u>O/S Decofore, Hanbury Road</u></b>  A litter bin outside <i>Decofore</i> on Hanbury Road has been damaged and requires repair or replacement.</p>	<p><b>Cleansing</b>  <i>Tony White</i></p>	
31/01/18	<p><b><u>Channel Block Damage</u></b>  <b><u>O/S Decofore, Hanbury Road</u></b>  Some of the channel blocks along Hanbury Road have become damaged and require repair.</p>	<p><b>Highways</b>  <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	