

BARGOED TOWN CENTRE AUDIT – SEPTEMBER 2018

DATE	ISSUE	DEPARTMENT	PROGRESS UPDATE
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>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>13/2 Following a site meeting with a supplier, a cladding system was deemed inappropriate for the steps. As such, a general maintenance programme intended to last a few years will be implemented. 14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 The steps were cleaned and repointed, but the work was immediately vandalised. The work has now been re-done.</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 <i>Ins O'Keefe</i></p> <p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 Additional parking bays will be installed throughout the town shortly. The TRO is currently out to consultation. 14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 Limited waiting bays have been installed near Lowry Plaza with all lines and signs in place. There is an ongoing problem outside <i>Blisters</i> and <i>The Square Royale</i> at night, which Police Officers are monitoring.</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>13/2 The lease for units 3&4 has been signed. A revised marketing campaign for unit 6a will now take place. 14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 DWP is currently fitting out units 3&4.</p>
11/03/15	<p><u>Channel Block Damage</u> <u>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>13/2 Quotes have now been obtained for core drilling and associated traffic management. A weekend road closure will be arranged in due course. 14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 Samples of cement have been taken and the analysis report is currently being considered by engineers.</p>
16/06/15	<p><u>Development Plateau Phase 2</u> <u>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>13/2 Cabinet approval has been granted to enter negotiations with a view of selling the land to a pub-restaurant chain. 14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 An offer has been made for the site, which has been approved by Cabinet. Site investigations will start shortly and pre-application planning advice has been obtained.</p>

23/06/16	<p>Faded Decorative Text <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 Allan Dallimore</p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 Budgets continue to be sought. 6/6 This work is still not considered to be a budgetary priority.</p>
18/10/16	<p><u>Movement of Granite Blocks</u> Town Centre 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 Allan Dallimore</p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 The blocks will be repositioned and secured in place, but this requires a road closure, which is currently being arranged.</p>
14/02/17	<p><u>Insecure Carriageway Grills</u> Town Centre 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>Highways Gavin Barry</p> <p>Urban Renewal Allan Dallimore</p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 The problems are linked to the channel block movement and will be addressed when further information is known on the channel block defect(s). 14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 This is a defect that is being addressed in conjunction with the channel block issue.</p>

30/05/17	<p><u>Tables & Chairs on Public Highway Without Consent</u> <u>Town Centre</u> Reports have been received of premises placing tables and chairs on the pavement and persons consuming alcohol whilst seated outside.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p> <p>Licensing <i>Myra McSherry</i></p> <p>Police <i>Ins O'Keefe</i></p> <p>Community Safety <i>Paul Wallen</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 Officers will continue to monitor the situation as the finer weather approaches. 6/6 Officers continue to monitor as no applications have been received to place tables and chairs on the Highway.</p>
01/08/17	<p><u>Missing Coping Stones</u> <u>Southern Punch-Through</u> Some coping stones are missing from the steps joining Cardiff Road with Bargoed Gateway.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 The stones weren't secured as per the specification, so this will be discussed with the contractor. 6/6 NCS is sourcing replacement stones from suppliers, which will be secured in place as per design specification. Compensation will be sought from the original installation contractor.</p>
21/08/17	<p><u>Condition of Daffodil Artwork</u> <u>Pocket Park, Hanbury Road Car Park</u> The daffodil artwork and surrounding area is in need of cleaning to improve its appearance.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p>Cleansing <i>Rhodri Lloyd</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 Specialist equipment is needed to clean the high-level flowers and is being sourced. 6/6 Specialist equipment continues to be sourced.</p>

06/10/17	<p><u>Damaged Street Scene</u> <u>Lowry Plaza</u> 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"> 1. Broken circular stainless steel bench; 2. Broken paving slab; 3. Dislodged coping stone. 	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 Officers in Facilities Management are in the process of repairing these items. 6/6 All defects have been remedied. Issue Closed 6/6</p>
12/10/17	<p><u>Cleansing Issues</u> <u>Bargoed Bus Station</u> 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>Transportation <i>Dean Smith</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 NCS has quoted for the works and they will be completed as part of a wider programme of works in the town centre. 6/6 The lower part of the shelters have been cleaned and high level cleaning will be carried out shortly.</p>
17/10/17	<p><u>Civil Parking Enforcement</u> <u>Town Centre</u> 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>Transportation <i>Dean Smith</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 The back-office function will be shared with RCT and this has been agreed. The TRO is in progress, but is a significant piece of work. When TRO is complete, an application will be made to WG with a provisional start date of April 2019.</p>

23/10/17	<p><u>Damage to Miners' Heads Artwork Hanbury Square</u> Cllr. Price has reported that the Miners' Heads artwork has been damaged and has a hole in it.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 The repair work should be completed by 31st March. 6/6 The repair has been carried out. Issue Closed 6/6</p>
10/01/18	<p><u>Antisocial Behaviour</u> <u>Morrisons, Bargoed Gateway</u> 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>Police <i>Ins O'Keefe</i></p> <p>Community Safety <i>Paul Wallen</i></p> <p>Town Centre Management <i>Andrew Highway</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 A meeting led by Town Centre Management is due to take place with Morrisons on 7th June. Officers will be working with Community Regeneration colleagues to look options for diversionary activities by bidding into Morrisons charity arm.</p>
15/01/18	<p><u>Broken Channel Block</u> <u>O/S Gus Jones, Hanbury Road</u> One of the channel blocks on Hanbury Road has been badly damaged, leaving a large hole in the carriageway surface.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	<p>13/2 Will be carried out as part of a wider programme of NCS works for Bargoed. 14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 Work has been completed. Issue Closed 6/6</p>
31/01/18	<p><u>Broken Bin</u> <u>O/S Decofore, Hanbury Road</u> A litter bin outside Decofore on Hanbury Road has been damaged and requires repair or replacement.</p>	<p>Cleansing <i>Rhodri Lloyd</i></p>	<p>13/2 Two bins are in need of replacement. As they are a bespoke design, they are in fabrication and will be installed in due course. 6/6 The bin will be installed as soon as it is in stock.</p>

31/01/18	<p><u>Channel Block Damage</u> <u>O/S Decofore, Hanbury Road</u> Some of the channel blocks along Hanbury Road have become damaged and require repair.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	<p>13/2 Will be carried out as part of a wider programme of NCS works for Bargoed. 14/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 The work has been completed. Issue Closed 6/6</p>
16/04/18	<p><u>Overgrown Foliage</u> <u>Hanbury Road Steps</u> The foliage at the bottom of the steps linking the town centre to Hanbury Road car park is overgrown and requires pruning.</p>	<p>Parks <i>Mike Headington</i></p>	<p>6/6 The area has been cut back. Issue Closed 6/6</p>
16/04/18	<p><u>Cleansing</u> <u>Hanbury Road Car Park</u> Some cleansing issues need to be addressed within and around Hanbury Road car park, namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graffiti near the daffodil artwork; • Accumulation of litter at the bottom of Chisholm's Lane; • Litter on the banking between the bus station and Hanbury Road car park. 	<p>Cleansing <i>Rhodri Lloyd</i></p>	<p>6/6 The graffiti and litter on Chisholm's lane have been cleaned. The banking cleanse requires specialist equipment, which will be completed in due course.</p>
27/04/18	<p><u>Criminal Damage</u> <u>Hanbury Road Steps</u> Repairs had been carried out to Hanbury Road steps by NCS. Despite the area being cordoned off, a group of young people vandalised the repairs before the materials had dried.</p>	<p>Police <i>Ins O'Keefe</i></p>	<p>6/6 The investigation is ongoing and CCTV images of the perpetrators have been circulated.</p>

01/05/18	<p><u>Reinstatement of Surface</u> <u>Footpath linking Bargoed Gateway with Eastview Terrace</u> Another wheelie bin has been burnt out under the Angel Way flyover, which has damaged the surface of the footpath.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	<p>6/6 The footway has been repaired. Issue Closed 6/6</p>
18/05/18	<p><u>Insecure Access</u> <u>Angel Way Flyover</u> An access door into the bearing gallery of the Angel Way flyover is insecure and requires repair and additional security.</p>	<p>Engineering <i>Julian Higgs</i></p>	<p>6/6 The access has been secured. Issue Closed 6/6</p>
06/06/18	<p><u>Condition of Surface</u> <u>Hanbury Road Car Park</u> At the TCIG, Cllr. Davies asked Officers to check the condition of the tarmac surface in Hanbury Road car park, which appears to be damaged and in need of repair.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	
06/06/18	<p><u>Reinstatement of Surface</u> <u>Footpath linking Bargoed Gateway with Eastview Terrace</u> At the TCIG, Cllr. Davies reported that yet another bin has been burnt out under the Angel Way flyover, which has damaged the surface of the footpath.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	
10/07/18	<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 been broken.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	

20/07/18	<p><u>Maintenance of Steps</u> <u>Link between High Street & Bus Station</u> The steps are in need of cleaning and weed removal. Overgrown foliage in the area also needs cutting back.</p>	<p>Highways Gavin Barry</p> <p>Parks Mike Headington</p> <p>Cleansing Rhodri Lloyd</p>	
30/08/18	<p><u>Cigarette Ends</u> <u>Bargoed Town Centre</u> There are a large number of cigarette ends in Bargoed town centre, especially around Royal Square.</p>	<p>Cleansing Rhodri Lloyd</p>	

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