

RISCA TOWN CENTRE AUDIT – NOVEMBER 2018

DATE	ISSUE	DEPARTMENT	PROGRESS UPDATE
26/11/13	<p><u>Condition of Land around Cuckoo Artwork Pontymister Industrial Estate</u> Concern was expressed by local Members at the TCMG in relation to the condition of the land surrounding the cuckoo artwork, which is in an unkempt condition.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p> <p>Cleansing <i>Ian Jones</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 The area has recently been cleaned and is looking much better. Relocation of the artwork is being considered utilising the S.106 money. 6/6 The site is subject to regular cleansing now, which has improved the appearance of the site. The artwork may be moved to a more prominent location using the S.106 money. 11/9 Keep Wales Tidy are no longer maintaining the site. Urban Renewal will undertake an annual clean.</p>
10/02/15	<p><u>Parking Enforcement O/S Spar, Tredegar Street</u> At the TCIG, Cllr. George reported that there are a lot of instances of people parking in the bus stop outside the Spar store. This is leading the buses not being able to pull in, which is causing traffic congestion.</p>	<p>Police <i>Ins Drayton</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 No update could be provided. 6/6 There is no budget to extend the coloured surface of the bus stop, but the whole of the bus stop is included in the TRO; as such, it is enforceable. 11/9 Fixed Penalty Tickets are being issued by PCSO's and they have contacted local businesses.</p>

02/06/15	<p><u>Illegal Parking</u> <u>Park Road O/S Moriah Church</u> Cllr. George has noted that vehicles are illegally parking along Park Road, which is making it difficult for large vehicles to drive along the road.</p>	<p>Police <i>Ins Drayton</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 No update could be provided. 6/6 Monitoring and enforcement continue when resources allow. 11/9 Fixed Penalty Tickets are being issued by PCSO's and they have contacted local businesses.</p>
14/06/16	<p><u>Utilisation of Section 106 Funding</u> <u>Town Centre</u> Following the decision by Tesco not to install a footbridge linking the store to the Northern end of Commercial Street, Officers are now considering options for the Section 106 funding that has become available.</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 issue is to be discussed at the next TCMG. The money has now been committed and agreed with Tesco. A Cabinet report will be produced in due course. 13/3 An update was provided to the TCMG. 6/6 There has been a dialogue with local Councillors on plans for the money. A Cabinet report is currently being finalised. 11/9 Cabinet approval for Section 106 Funding has been given & a selection of works has been programmed.</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>13/3 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. 11/9 The Council will take over Civil Parking Enforcement from the Police on the 8th April 2019.</p>

12/10/17	<p><u>Accumulation of Litter</u> <u>Lane Linking Commercial Street to Tesco</u> A number of complaints have been received in relation to the accumulation of litter in the lane linking Tesco with Commercial Street.</p>	<p>Cleansing <i>Ian Jones</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 Some work has been completed, but the area requires further attention. Additional cleansing will be carried out when resources allow. 6/6 A deep clean is scheduled to take place and monitoring of the area will continue. 11/9 A litter pick has been completed. Issue Closed 11/9</p>
17/10/17	<p><u>Illegal Signage</u> <u>Entrance to Pontymister Industrial Estate</u> At the TCMG members expressed concern about the number of banners that have been installed on railings and fencing at the entrance to Pontymister Industrial Estate.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	<p>PLEASE SEE PREVIOUS AUDITS FOR A FULL HISTORY OF THIS ISSUE</p> <p>13/2 Anything placed on street furniture on the adopted highway will be removed by Highways Inspectors. Planning Enforcement Officers are looking at other advertising in the area. 6/6 All signage that can be removed under the Council's powers has been removed. Monitoring of the area continues. 11/9 Highways to continue monitoring.</p>
13/02/18	<p><u>Bus Stop Extension Demarcation</u> <u>O/S Spar, Tredegar Street</u> At the TCIG, Cllr. Whiting noted that the extended bus stop outside Spar on Tredegar Street is not clearly marked. The original bus stop has a green road surface, whereas the extended area does not. This is leading the people parking in the bus stop.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p> <p>Transportation <i>Dean Smith</i></p>	<p>6/6 There is no budget available to extend the surface at present. However, all of the bus stop is included in the TRO so it is enforceable. 11/9 TRO will be reviewed as part of Civil Parking Enforcement.</p>

13/03/18	<p><u>Poor Footway Surface</u> <u>Opposite The Rolling Mill, Commercial Street</u> At the TCMG, Cllr. Whiting reported that he had received a complaint about the condition of the footway opposite The Rolling Mill on Commercial Street. The area is in private ownership.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i></p>	<p>6/6 The area is privately owned by The Birds Group. Officers have contacted the company and requested that repairs be carried out. 11/9 Officers have contacted the site owner, intermediate works have been completed but a permanent surface is required.</p>
06/06/18	<p><u>Legality of Signage</u> <u>Pontymister Industrial Estate</u> At the TCIG, Cllr. Whiting made reference to a “cash for clothes” sign at the entrance to Pontymister Industrial Estate. The sign is adjacent to a roundabout and is a potential distraction for drivers, especially at night when it is very brightly illuminated.</p>	<p>Regulatory Planning <i>Tim Stephens</i></p>	<p>11/9 Officers will continue to monitor.</p>
06/06/18	<p><u>Virgin Media Installation</u> <u>Town Centre</u> At the TCIG, Cllr. Whiting expressed concern about the ongoing Virgin Media rollout in and around the town centre. The reinstatement of some footway and carriageway is of poor quality.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	<p>11/9 The company have infringed the Road and Street Works Act and have been fined by the Council.</p>
13/07/18	<p><u>Faded Pedestrian Crossing</u> <u>Commercial Street</u> The zebra crossing on Commercial Street is badly faded and requires repainting to make the markings more visible to motorists.</p>	<p>Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i></p>	<p>11/9 On a works list - unlikely before April 2019</p>

08/10/18	<u>Grit Bin Provision</u> <u>Town Centre</u> Prior to the onset of winter the Highway operations team will visit the town centre and ensure that the grit bins are in place and topped up with a fresh supply of grit.	Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i>	
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