

RISCA TOWN CENTRE AUDIT – FEBRUARY 2019

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>11/9 Keep Wales Tidy are no longer maintaining the site. Urban Renewal will undertake an annual clean. 6/11 Site is maintained annually by Parks Services. Should Section 106 monies be available consideration will be given to relocating the artwork to land at the northern entrance of Risca town centre. 11/12 Update at TCMG.</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>11/9 Fixed Penalty Tickets are being issued by PCSO's and they have contacted local businesses. 6/11 Officers will monitor as resources allow.</p>
02/06/15	<p><u>Illegal Parking 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</p>

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14/06/16	<p><u>Utilisation of Section 106 Funding 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>11/9 Cabinet approval for Section 106 Funding has been given & a selection of works has been programmed. 6/11 The Longbridge Baths demolition and refit works is planned together with selected demolition on the Brooklands site. 11/12 Update at TCMG.</p>
17/10/17	<p><u>Illegal Signage 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>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. 6/11 Signs removed. Issue Closed 6/11</p>
17/10/17	<p><u>Civil Parking Enforcement 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>11/9 The Council will take over Civil Parking Enforcement from the Police on the 8th April 2019. 6/11 The Council will continue to work towards an April start date, however Gwent Police may finish enforcement duties earlier on the 31st December 2018 and are keen for all Gwent Authorities to start CPE on the</p>

			same day. 11/12 Update at TCMG.
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. 6/11 TRO works continue.</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. 6/11 Officers will ask the owner to revisit the site and consider additional work. 11/12 Update at TCMG.</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. 6/11 The sign requires planning consent. Planning Enforcement officers will work with the owner to regularise or remove the sign.</p>
06/06/18	<p><u>Virgin Media Installation</u> <u>Town Centre</u> At the TCIG, Cllr. Whiting expressed concern about</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>

	the ongoing Virgin Media rollout in and around the town centre. The reinstatement of some footway and carriageway is of poor quality.		6/11 No Update.
13/07/18	<u>Faded Pedestrian Crossing Commercial Street</u> The zebra crossing on Commercial Street is badly faded and requires repainting to make the markings more visible to motorists.	Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i>	11/9 On a works list - unlikely before April 2019 6/11 Awaiting works date.
08/10/18	<u>Grit Bin Provision 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>	6/11 Officers will check and replenish supplies in the next few weeks prior to the winter weather.
11/12/18	<u>Condition of Planters Town Centre</u> Risca Town Council has expressed concern over the condition of the planters in Risca town centre.	Parks <i>Mike Headington</i>	
12/12/18	<u>Pedestrian Crossing Concerns Tesco</u> Cllrs at the TCMG (11/12/18) raised concerns at the safety of the crossing within the curtilage of the Tesco store.	Regulatory Planning <i>Tim Stephens</i>	The land ownership maps were checked and this crossing is not on an adopted Highway.
12/12/18	<u>Footway Defects Commercial Street / Tredegar Street</u> Cllrs at the TCMG (11/12/18) requested that the footway be checked for defects following the recent Virgin Media works.	Highways <i>Gavin Barry</i>	
12/12/18	<u>Moving Virgin Apparatus Tredegar Street</u> Cllrs at the TCMG (11/12/18) asked if the apparatus recently installed at the site could be	Urban Renewal <i>Allan Dallimore</i>	

	relocated or moved to accommodate the Cuckoo statue if it were relocated there.		
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