## **Statement of Reason**

## The Proposed Introduction of Residents Parking Scheme – Zone 2, Bridgend.

Introduction of 'Residents Permit Parking Only', 'Limited Waiting Bay' and 'No Waiting, Loading and Unloading at Any Time' parking restrictions within Zone 2, on Sunnyside Road, Sunnyside Access Road and Cae Dre Street. The revocation of existing Prohibition of Waiting At Any Time Restrictions on Sunnyside Access Road.

It is considered that it is appropriate to implement the proposed scheme to reserve a portion of the on-street parking space exclusively for residents whilst allowing visitors/deliveries to park in the limited waiting bay for a limited period, during operational hours without requiring a permit.

It is considered that it is appropriate to implement the proposed 'Residents Permit Parking Only', 'Limited Waiting Bay' and 'No Waiting, Loading and Unloading at Any Time' restrictions for the purposes contained in Section 1 (a), (c), and (f) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as follows:-

- (a) for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- (c) for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).
- (f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

To enable the introduction of the new resident permit parking zone scheme it is additionally necessary to remove the Access Only restriction Orders currently in place on Sunnyside Road and Cae Dre Street.

It is considered that it is appropriate to implement the proposed revocation of Access orders for the purposes contained in Section 1 (c) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as follows:-

(c) for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

In deciding whether to make the Orders to introduce the Orders to implement the above, the Council is required to have regard to the matters set out in section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Section 122(1) requires the Council to exercise the functions conferred on it by the 1984 Act as (so far as practicable having regard to the matters specified in section 122(2)) to secure the expeditious, convenient, and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians), and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway.

The matters to which the Council must have regard in s122 (2) are:-

- 1. The desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises;
- 2. The effect on the amenities of any locality affected and the importance of regulating and restricting the use of roads by heavy commercial vehicles so as to preserve or improve the amenities of the areas through which the roads run;
- 3. The national air quality strategy prepared under section 80 of the Environmental Protection Act 1995;
- 4. The importance of facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and of securing the safety and convenience of persons using or desiring to use such vehicles;
- 5. Any other matters appearing to the Council to be relevant.

After consideration of the S122 duty, it is considered that it is appropriate to introduce the proposed Orders.

The proposals are shown on Drawing reference: RESIDENTS PARKING PROPOSALS CONSULTATION - BRIDGEND TOWN CENTRE (2).

The scheme is being funded by the Traffic Management department.

The restriction road markings will comply in accordance with the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

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