

## CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

Montgomeryshire

7<sup>th</sup> March 2018**REPORT AUTHOR:** Chris Lloyd – (Traffic Engineer North)**SUBJECT:** On street waiting and loading prohibition review, Llanfyllin.

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**REPORT FOR:** Decision

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**1. Parking Reviews**

- 1.1. Following the introduction of Civil Parking Enforcement within Powys in April 2011 it was agreed that on street parking reviews would be carried out on a town/village by town/village basis as and where required and justified where funding allowed.
- 1.2. The April 2009 moratorium of Traffic Regulation Orders was partially lifted in September 2012 by Cabinet specifically to permit loading and waiting restrictions to be made or modified. A further decision to lift the moratorium completely was made on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017 (effective as of 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2018), with the proviso that all Permanent Traffic Regulation Orders, including those for parking reviews, will be considered and ranked against other schemes/Orders within the Highways Transport and Recycling's core capital funding allocation for 'Road Safety and Traffic Management'. Permanent orders relating to structures or those part of a larger capital scheme will continue to be funded from their associated budgets. Orders required to facilitate a development will continue to be funded by the developer.
- 1.3. A Parking Policy was approved by the Council Cabinet on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018, which included a provision that any time limited on street parking bays within Powys that are the subject of new or modified Traffic Regulation Orders will be restricted to either 30 minutes or 1 hour to ensure there is sufficient turnaround of on street parking spaces to provide sufficient chance for a short term visitor to be able to find a suitable space. The policy included a provision that permits different times to be considered to meet a local need in exceptional circumstances, however the maximum on street parking will be 1 hour.

**2. Background**

- 2.1. Members will recall that a review of the existing waiting and loading prohibitions on the county highways within the town of Llanfyllin has been requested by the local County Councillor and Llanfyllin Town Council.
- 2.2. A proposal for the review of the on street waiting and loading prohibitions was considered and approved by the Montgomeryshire Committee at the meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017. However the decision included a recommendation that the on street waiting period be amended to be limited to 2 hours waiting with no return within 1 hour, instead of the 1 hour waiting no return within 1 hour proposed by officers. It was agreed that the implementation of the decision be

deferred until such a time as the Cabinet had determined its position regarding the wider parking review. If the recommendation was at odds with the outcome of the wider review there would be further discussion with the town council and local member.

- 2.3. The county wide parking policy was approved by cabinet on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018 (see paragraph 1.3 above), which is at odds with the shire committee recommendation of 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017; therefore the shire committee must reconsider the on street waiting limit period for Llanfyllin with regard to the approved parking policy.

### **3. Modified Waiting Period Request**

- 3.1. The local member has acknowledged that the 2 hour on street waiting limit cannot now be implemented, but has requested that designated 1 hour limited waiting no return within 1 hour parking bays be effective between the hours of 10am to 4pm (Monday to Saturday), as opposed to the original 8am to 6pm (Monday to Saturday) period as proposed by officers.
- 3.2. For the avoidance of any doubt, the extents of the proposed modified on street waiting and loading prohibitions within the town of Llanfyllin are to remain the same as those extents approved by the Montgomeryshire Committee at their meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

<b>Recommendation:</b>	<b>Reason for Recommendation:</b>
<p><b>Committee is asked to:-</b></p> <p><b>1) Revisit the previous recommendation with respect to the timed on street parking bays, and instruct officers to modify the proposed traffic regulation order whereby the timed on street waiting bays would be 1 hour limited waiting no return within 1 hour (Monday to Saturday, 10am to 4pm).</b></p> <p><b>and to;</b></p> <p><b>2) Authorise the local highway authority to commence the legal consultation procedures for the proposed traffic regulation order, and if no substantive objections are received, authorise the traffic engineer to implement the proposal.</b></p>	<p><b>To manage traffic flows, and prohibit loading and waiting at locations on the public highway where safe vehicle and pedestrian movements would otherwise continue to be compromised.</b></p>

<b>Relevant Policy (ies):</b>	Local Transport Plan		
<b>Within Policy:</b>	Y	<b>Within Budget:</b>	Y
<b>Relevant Local Member(s):</b>	Cllr Peter Lewis		
<b>Person(s) To Implement Decision:</b>	Chris Lloyd – (Traffic Engineer North)		
<b>Date By When Decision To Be Implemented:</b>	As soon as possible		

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