## The County of Powys (High Street, Short Bridge Street and Wesley Street, Newtown) (One-Way Traffic and Prohibition of Driving) Order 2022

## Statement of Reasons

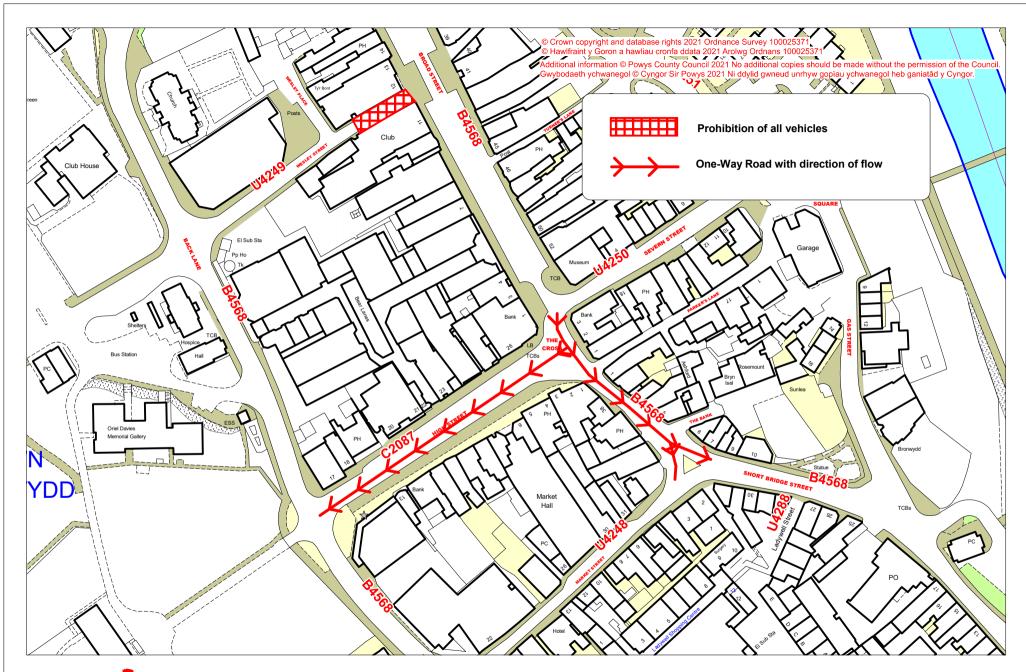
In partnership with Newtown and Llanllwchaiarn Town Council, Powys County Council has secured grant funding from the Welsh Government for a Transforming Towns - Green Infrastructure and Biodiversity for Growing Newtown Project.

These works include modifications to the carriageway, on street parking and footways along High Street which will require High Street to be made a one-way street with vehicles only being permitted to travel in the direction from The Cross to Back Lane. In order to regulate and eliminate confusing and conflicting traffic movements at the Cross the existing one-way traffic prohibition order along Short Bridge Street between Parsons Lane and Market Street will also need to be extended to commence at the junction of Broad Street with Short Bridge Street instead of the junction of Parsons Lane with Short Bridge Street.

The county councillor for the Newtown East ward has also identified that the existing one-way and access only traffic prohibition Orders along part of Wesley Street are regularly breached by drivers to the detriment of pedestrian safety, and has requested that the length of Wesley Street that is currently the subject of these traffic Orders be permanently closed to vehicular traffic to improve pedestrian safety along that section of Wesley Street and at its junction with Broad Street, and to enable that area to be repurposed to promote "café culture" uses within this area and improve the pedestrian experience within the town centre.

It is therefore proposed to introduce a single Traffic Regulation Order to regulate and prohibit vehicular traffic movements along the streets described above.

The plans will be available to view on site and on the Council's website.



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