

SUBJECT: VARIOUS RESTRICTIONS AND PROVISIONS OF PARKING, (AGINCOURT SQUARE AND PRIORY STREET, MONMOUTH)

MEETING: Cabinet Member for County Operations

DATE: 24th February 2016

DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED: Central, Drybridge

1. PURPOSE:

To consider the proposed Order subsequent to representations received following advertisement in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1994.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

Not to hold an inquiry into the proposal

To approve the proposed Order as consulted and advertised upon to implement the Order.

3. KEY ISSUES:

Monmouthshire County Council has previously received concerns from several stakeholders including Gwent Police and community representatives regarding difficulties being experienced to highway users due to parked vehicles within a section of Priory Street and Agincourt Square. The current restrictions allow for blue badge holders to park for up to 3 hours on the existing single yellow line on the western kerb line of Priory and Agincourt Square thereby causing congestion and severely restricting the available residual carriageway

width and forcing oncoming traffic in both directions to have to operate an informal give and take system. Non blue badge holders have also regularly been observed ignoring the single yellow line parking restriction and leaving their vehicles here. Officers have identified a lack of a suitable loading only area for heavy goods vehicles only within Agincourt Square and the proposals seek to provide such a loading bay for all hgv deliveries including those to the Iceland store.

It is necessary to ensure the free flow of traffic to prohibit parking by all vehicles (including blue badge holders) at peak times on the existing single yellow line within Priory Street and Agincourt and this can only be achieved by prohibiting loading and unloading and parking by all highway users(including blue badge holders) at peak times and days.

Two additional disabled persons only parking bays will be created in Priory Street in order to provide an additional parking area for blue badge holders only as part of this overall traffic management improvement scheme. It is not feasible to designate these as short time waiting duration only (20 minute or 30 minutes) as these are considered insufficient time periods for blue badge holders to shop or undertake other tasks in the town center.

4. REASONS:

Several onsite visits have been undertaken by officers to observe and assess the current parking provisions and restrictions and how this locality operates in terms of traffic flows and unnecessary obstructions to the free flow of traffic in this town center location. Officers have liaised closely with Gwent Police (prior to formalizing measures and drafting this proposed Traffic Order) in order to consider appropriate solutions to the traffic problems being regularly experienced here.

The proposed traffic order is necessary to address long standing concerns regarding obstructions to the free flow of traffic in this town center which adversely affects the economy of the Town and its business's.

Regulation 9 of the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 enables the Council to hold a public inquiry into the proposal if there are unresolved objections. The purpose of such an inquiry would be for the proposal to be explained and subjected to examination; and for the public to be given the opportunity to make their views known. Should a public inquiry be held then it would not be possible for it to be implemented for at least six months.

Officers consider that in view of the fact that no objections have been received as set out in the report, that the Council's proposals do not warrant the holding of any inquiry.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The costs of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order, road markings and signage are being funded by Monmouthshire County Council and are included in the current road safety and traffic management programme.

6. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no sustainability and equality implications.

7. CONSULTEES:

Senior Leadership Team
County Councillor B Jones, Cabinet Member for County Operations
County Councillor A.Wintle

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Proposed Order, Schedule of Objections/Comments, Proposed DPPP location plan.

9. AUTHOR:

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10. CONTACT DETAILS:

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Schedule of Objections/Comments

Name/Address	Support	Comments
1.Heddlu Gwent Police	Has confirmed its support in writing.	Noted.
Name/Address	Support	Comments
Councillor A Wintle	Has confirmed his support in writing by email.	Noted.
Name/Address	Support	Comments
Monmouth Town Council	Has confirmed its support in writing by letter, but has also asked for a short term drop off area which is not feasible.	Noted.
Name/Address	Objection	Comments

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<p>Name of the Officer completing the evaluation Paul Keeble</p> <p>Phone no: E-mail:</p>	<p>Please give a brief description of the aims of the proposal To address vehicular movement constraints and improve the free flow of traffic and provide a hgv loading bay and 2 additional Disabled persons only parking places.</p>
<p>Name of Service Highways</p>	<p>Date Future Generations Evaluation form completed 23rd November 2015</p>




1. **Does your proposal deliver any of the well-being goals below?** Please explain the impact (positive and negative) you expect, together with suggestions of how to mitigate negative impacts or better contribute to the goal.

Well Being Goal	How does the proposal contribute to this goal? (positive and negative)	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
<p>A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs</p>	Neutral	N/A
<p>A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)</p>	Neutral	N/A
<p>A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood</p>	Positive	N/A

Well Being Goal	How does the proposal contribute to this goal? (positive and negative)	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected	Positive	N/A
A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing	Neutral	N/A
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation	Neutral	N/A
A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances	Positive	The proposed order includes two additional disabled persons parking places which assists social mobility.

2. How has your proposal embedded and prioritised the sustainable governance principles in its development?

Sustainable Development Principle	How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle?	What has been done to better to meet this principle?
 Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future	N/A	
 Working together with other partners to deliver objectives	N/A	

Sustainable Development Principle	How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle?	What has been done to better to meet this principle?
 Involvement Involving those with an interest and seeking their views	N/A	
 Prevention Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse	N/A	
 Integration Positively impacting on people, economy and environment and trying to benefit all three	N/A	

3. Are your proposals going to affect any people or groups of people with protected characteristics? Please explain the impact, the evidence you have used and any action you are taking below.

Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Age	N/A		N/A
Disability	Provides 2 new parking bays for disabled persons with blue badges use only.	Positive by improving existing facilities for disabled persons.	N/A
Gender reassignment	N/A		
Marriage or civil partnership	N/A		
Race	N/A		
Religion or Belief	N/A		
Sex	N/A		
Sexual Orientation	N/A		
Welsh Language	N/A		

4. Council has agreed the need to consider the impact its decisions has on important responsibilities of Corporate Parenting and safeguarding. Are your proposals going to affect either of these responsibilities? For more information please see the guidance note <http://hub/corporatedocs/Democratic%20Services/Equality%20impact%20assessment%20and%20safeguarding.docx> and for more on Monmouthshire's Corporate Parenting Strategy see <http://hub/corporatedocs/SitePages/Corporate%20Parenting%20Strategy.aspx>

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Safeguarding	N/A		
Corporate Parenting	N/A		

5. What evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?

Several site visits have been undertaken to assess issues on site and formulate appropriate solutions. Several stakeholders have also expressed their concerns regarding inappropriate parking and obstructions to the free flow of traffic in this town centre location.

6. SUMMARY: As a result of completing this form, what are the main positive and negative impacts of your proposal, how have they informed/changed the development of the proposal so far and what will you be doing in future?

The proposed order will improve the flow of traffic within the town centre, enhance loading only areas for business's and reduce congestion which is added to by the current parking layout which allows blue badge holders to park on a relatively narrow highway within the town centre.

7. Actions. As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, if applicable.

What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible	Progress
Implement order and appropriate works	Following publication of notice of making.	Traffic & Network Team	On-going

8. Monitoring: The impacts of this proposal will need to be monitored and reviewed. Please specify the date at which you will evaluate the impact, and where you will report the results of the review.

The impacts of this proposal will be evaluated on:	31 st December 2016
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SECTION 1 - ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE A PERMANENT ORDER

**MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
CYNGOR SIR FYNWY
(VARIOUS RESTRICTIONS AND PROVISIONS OF PARKING –
AGINCOURT SQUARE AND PRIORY STREET MONMOUTH**

**TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2015
GORCHYMYN RHEOLAETH TRAFFIG 2015**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Monmouthshire County Council of County Hall, The Rhadyr, Usk, NP15 1GA ("the Council") propose to make a Road Traffic Regulation Order as follows:

Effect of the Order: It is proposed to amend the current various restrictions and provisions of parking in Agincourt Square and Priory Street Monmouth. It is also proposed to provide a loading bay for hgvs (vehicles 7.5 tonnes and vehicles over 7.5 tonnes in weight) only in front of Iceland in order to assist deliveries to Iceland and other nearby premises. Currently there is no provision for such a bay in this vicinity. There have been a number of concerns regarding obstructive parking in Priory Street in the vicinity of The Museum and the council offices thereby rendering the free flow of traffic in both directions impossible and causing severe difficulties for larger vehicles including buses in this locality.

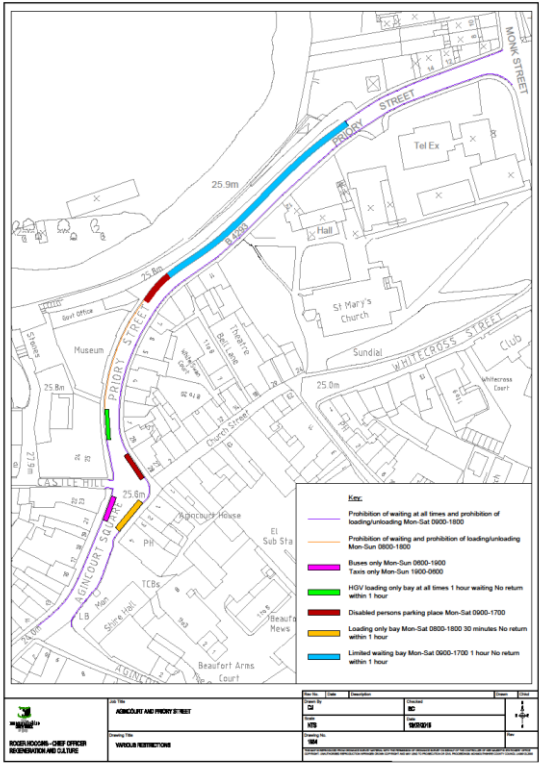
Further details of the proposed Order comprising a plan, statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order and the Monmouthshire County Council (Priory Street, Monmouth) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Disabled Persons Parking Place) Order 1997, the Monmouthshire County Council (Taxi Rank Agincourt Square Monmouth) (Prohibition of Waiting and Loading and Loading Bay) Amendment Order 2003 and the Monmouthshire County Council (Agincourt Square Monmouth) (Prohibition of Waiting and Loading, and Loading Bay) Order 1997 which is affected by this proposal may be examined during normal office hours at County Hall, The Rhadyr, Usk, NP15 1GA and the Councils One Stop Shop at The Market Hall, Priory Street, Monmouth. If you wish to telephone to obtain further information about this proposal please telephone 01633 - 644026.

Any objections in respect of this proposal should be made in writing, stating the grounds on which the objection is being made and should be sent to Head of Legal Services, Monmouthshire County Council, PO Box 106, Caldicot, NP26 9AN not later than the 6th of November 2015. Please quote reference CW/H45/60.0820 on any correspondence.

Date: 28th September 2015

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Head of Legal Services/Pennaeth Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol



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Area	Restriction	Start	End
1	Prohibition of waiting at all times and prohibition of loading/unloading Mon-Sat 0900-1800	0900	1800
2	Prohibition of waiting and prohibition of loading/unloading Mon-Sun 0900-1800	0900	1800
3	Buses only Mon-Sun 0900-1800 Taxis only Mon-Sun 1800-0900	0900	1800
4	HGV loading only bay at all times 1 hour waiting No return within 1 hour	0900	1800
5	Disabled persons parking places Mon-Sat 0900-1700	0900	1700
6	Loading only bay Mon-Sat 0900-1800 30 minutes No return within 1 hour	0900	1800
7	Limited waiting bay Mon-Sat 0900-1700 1 hour No return within 1 hour	0900	1700

This Order hereby revokes;

The Monmouthshire County Council (Priory Street, Monmouth) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Disabled Persons Parking Place) Order 1997

The Monmouthshire County Council (Taxi Rank Agincourt Square Monmouth)
(Prohibition of Waiting and Loading and Loading Bay) Amendment Order 2003

The Monmouthshire County Council (Agincourt Square Monmouth) (Prohibition of Waiting and Loading, and Loading Bay) Order 1997

Schedule 1

Disabled Persons Parking Place, Mon – Sat, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

1. Priory Street

(a) North-west side, from a point 83 m northeast of the northern kerb line of Castle Hill for a distance of 13 m in a north-easterly direction.

2. Agincourt Square

(a) Eastern kerb line from a point 2 metres north-west of the northern kerb line of Church Street for a distance of 12 m in a north-westerly direction.

Schedule 2

Prohibition of Loading, Mon – Sun, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

1. Priory Street

(a) North-west side, from its junction with the western kerb line of Agincourt Square for a distance of 50 metres in a northerly direction.

(b) North-east side, from its junction with the eastern kerb line of Agincourt Square for a distance of 247 metres in a generally north-easterly direction until its junction with the western kerb line of Monk Street.

2. Agincourt Square

(a) East side, from a point 2 metres north-west of the northern kerb line of Church Street for a distance of 11 metres in a south-easterly direction.

(b) East side, from a point 24 metres south of the northern kerb line of Church Street for a distance of 45 metres in a south-westerly direction.

(c) West side, from a point opposite the south-west kerb line of Agincourt

- Street for a distance of 62 metres in a north-easterly direction.
- (d) West side from its junction with the northern kerb line of Castle Hill for a distance of 16 metres in a northerly direction.

Schedule 3
Taxi Rank, Mon – Sun, 7:00 pm- 6 am

1. Agincourt Square

- (a) West side, from a point 1 metre south-west of the southern kerb line of Castle Hill for a distance of 12m in a south westerly direction.

Schedule 4
Bus Stop Clearway, Mon- Sun, 6 am- 7 pm

1. Agincourt Square

- (a) West side, from a point 1 m south-west of the southern kerb line of Castle Hill for a distance of 12 m in a south westerly direction.

Schedule 5
Limited Waiting, Mon- Sat, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, 1 Hour,
No Return Within 1 Hour

1. Priory Street

- (a) North-west side, from a point 83 metres north of the northern kerb line of Castle Hill to a point 76 metres south-west of the western kerb line of North Parade.

Schedule 6
Prohibition of Waiting, At Any Time

1. Priory Street

- (a) South-east side, from the western kerb line of Monk Street in a generally south-westerly direction until its junction with the eastern kerb line of Agincourt Square.

2. Agincourt Square

- (a) West side from the southern kerb line of Castle Hill in a South-westerly direction for a distance of 1 metre.
- (b) West side from a point opposite the south-west kerb line of Agincourt Street for a distance of 62 metres in a north-easterly direction.
- (c) East side, from a point 2 metres north west of the northern kerb line of Church Street for a distance of 11 metres in a south-easterly direction.
- (d) East side from a point 24 metres south-west of the northern kerb line of Church Street for a distance of 45 m in a south-westerly direction.

Schedule 7

Prohibition of Waiting, Mon-Sun, 8:00 am- 6:00 pm

1. Agincourt Square

- (a) West side, from a point 29 m north of the northern Kerb line of Castle Hill for a distance of 6 metres in a northerly direction until its junction with the north-western kerb line of Priory Street.

2. Priory Street

- (a) North west side from its junction with the western kerb line of Agincourt Square for a distance of 48 metres in a generally north-easterly direction.

Schedule 8

Loading Bay, Mon – Sat, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

(Loading Limited to 30 minutes, No Return within 1 Hour)

1. Agincourt Square

- (a) East side from a point 9 metres south east of the northern

Kerb line of Church Street for a distance of 15 metres in a south-westerly direction.

Schedule 9

**Loading Bay (HGVS only), Mon-Sun, At All Times,
(Loading limited to 1 Hour, no return within 1 Hour)**

1. Agincourt Square

(a) West side from a point 16 metres north of the northern kerb line of Castle Hill for a distance of 12 metres in a northerly direction.

Statement of Reasons

Monmouthshire County Council has received representations and concerns regarding obstructive parking in Priory Street in the vicinity of The museum and the councils offices. Vehicles including blue badge holders are parking/ loading on the area currently restricted by a single yellow lines and thereby rendering the free flow of traffic in both directions impossible and causing severe difficulties for larger vehicles including buses in this locality.

It is also proposed to provide a loading bay for hgvs (vehicles 7.5 tonnes and vehicles over 7.5 tonnes in weight) only in front of Iceland in order to assist deliveries to Iceland and other nearby premises. Currently there is no provision for such a bay in this vicinity.