AGENDA ITEM 5

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

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ACTIVE TRAVEL (WALES) ACT 2013: SUBMISSION OF EXISTING ROUTE MAP TO WELSH GOVERNMENT

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE AND FRONTLINE SERVICES IN DISCUSSIONS WITH THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER (COUNCILLOR ANN CRIMMINGS)

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To note the work that has been undertaken by the Council, to comply with the provisions of the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013, prior to the submission of an Active Travel Existing Route Map to the Welsh Government.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the Cabinet:

- Notes the progress that has been made by the Council, to date, in complying with the provisions of the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013.
- Endorses the final version of the 'Existing Active Travel Route Map' for the Rhondda Cynon Taf area and agrees for this document to be submitted to the Welsh Government.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The Council has a duty under the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013 to consult with local residents and organisations over the development and promotion of active travel journeys throughout its area. It also has a duty to demonstrate that it is complying with the provisions set out under the same legislation.

4. BACKGROUND

4.1 In 2013, the Welsh Government passed legislation entitled The Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013. It placed a duty on local authorities in Wales to

deliver infrastructure and develop policies and measures which promote and encourage Active Travel for journeys over short distances. For example, when undertaking highway improvement works, a local authority will now have to take "reasonable steps" to ensure that provision is made for walking and cycling as part of these works.

4.2   In this context, walking and cycling is commonly referred to as 'Active Travel' and the aim of the legislation is to provide a mechanism to reduce the number of people who currently travel by car for short journeys i.e. under three miles in length. As well as the expected health benefits that this will bring to individuals, it is believed that promoting more sustainable forms of transport (such as walking and cycling) for non-recreational purposes will improve local air quality and reduce social exclusion.

4.3   It is also believed that the Active Travel legislation is the first of its kind in the world and, as such, presents a unique challenge for local authorities in Wales. In this regard, the Welsh Government has set out a series of tasks that must be undertaken by local authorities and other bodies by the 22nd January 2016, in order to comply with the legislation. These are set out below:

- Identify settlements that can be classed as "Built-up". *Completed.*
- Survey and map the Active Travel routes within these settlements. *Completed by Sustrans.*
- Audit the survey results using a tool kit provided by the Welsh Government. *Completed.*
- Use information to produce an 'Existing Active Travel Route Map' for local authority area. *Completed.*
- Undertake consultation exercise with public and key stakeholders over 'Existing Active Travel Route Map'. *Ends 15 January 2016.*
- Analyse outcome and amend 'Existing Active Travel Route Map' as required. *Outcome forms part of this report.*
- Prepare final version of 'Existing Active Travel Route Map', using new software developed on behalf of the Welsh Government, and for submission to the Welsh Government by no later than 22nd January 2016. *Being undertaken by our Joint Venture Partners Capita and nearing completion.*

4.4   In recognition of the challenge, this authority has been liaising with Blaenau Gwent, Bridgend, Caerphilly, Merthyr Tydfil, Monmouthshire and Torfaen County Borough Councils over best practice and the most effective ways of addressing the issues that have arisen. It should be noted, however, that in terms of resources the Welsh Government has awarded £25,000 to the Council, during 2015 / 2016, towards meeting any costs incurred in complying with the legislation. A sum of £17,000 has also been allocated for 2016/17 to continue this work.

4.5   This report seeks Cabinet endorsement of the work that has already been carried out by the Council to comply with the Active Travel

legislation. It also seeks Cabinet agreement for the Council to submit the final version of the 'Existing Active Travel Route Map' to the Welsh Government by no later than 22nd January 2016.

5.   EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

5.1   An Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) screening form has been prepared for the purpose of this report. It has been found that a full report is not required at this time. The screening form can be accessed by contacting the author of the report.

6.   OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION EXERCISE

6.1   It can be seen from a previous section that one of the tasks set out to comply with the Active Travel legislation involves a public consultation exercise over the existing network of routes within Rhondda Cynon Taf.

6.2   The Welsh Government has stated that it is vitally important for local authorities to engage with young people in the preparation of their existing route maps and is looking at the consultation exercise as being an opportunity for engagement with young people within the school setting. It has also stipulated that the consultation exercise must be undertaken over at least a twelve week period.

6.3   In the light of these requirements, and to ensure that young people could be engaged during the school term, a consultation exercise commenced on 23rd October 2015 and will close on 15th January 2016. It has involved:

- Placing a questionnaire, draft Active Travel Route Maps for Council Wards and other supporting information on the English and Welsh language pages of the Council's website for viewing and self completion by the public. Copies of these documents are shown in Appendix A.
- Supplying printed versions of the above documents for viewing and self completion at the Council's libraries and One4All centres.
- Contacting key internal and external stakeholders, organisations and bodies by e-mail and providing them with a direct link to the Active Travel page on the Council's website.
- Arranging for the Council's Education Department to circulate details of the consultation exercise, including a link to the website, to all schools in the County Borough.
- ITU officers visiting a representative selection of schools in Rhondda Cynon Taf to discuss pupils' current active travel journeys and issues.
- Circulating details of the consultation exercise to local organisations and bodies who represent the interests of under-

represented groups of the population via the Council's Officers Disability Network.

- Contacting those members of the public who completed the Active Travel 'Reply Cards' produced by Sustrans last year as part of an initiative to raise awareness of the legislation.

6.4 The Existing Active Travel Route Maps produced by the Council for consultation show routes that may either be on-road (shared with vehicles) or on traffic free paths. These routes had been assessed using the guidance issued by the Welsh Government. The routes coloured green meet the standards set out in this guidance and are suitable for active travel whilst the routes coloured yellow have narrowly failed to meet the standards but are still considered suitable for active travel. An explanation for this was set out in an Existing Route Map Statement that accompanied the questionnaire.

6.5 The outcome of the consultation exercise is shown in the table in Appendix B. This table contains a summary of the responses received by the Council, together with the Council's own observations and its intended course of action in response to this feedback.

6.6 Appendix B also contains a summary of the Face-to-Face interviews that have taken place with individuals who could be categorised as being 'under represented', as defined by the equality legislation. The Active Travel Act places great emphasis on targeting those groups in the general population who (for various reasons) encounter barriers which prevent their involvement in undertaking more walking and cycling journeys.

7.   <u>NEXT STAGE</u>

7.1 At this stage of the Active Travel process, the Council is not required to action or resolve the issues highlighted by respondents during the consultation exercise - prior to submitting the final version of the Existing Active Travel Route Map to the Welsh Government. Notwithstanding this, as part of its ongoing duty to demonstrate evidence of encouraging the growth of active travel journeys in Rhondda Cynon Taf and improving the quality and coverage of the network, the Council will need to consider these issues in due course.

7.2 In terms of the information shown to the public about the existing Active Travel network across Rhondda Cynon Taf, any errors or incorrect details shown on the map and brought to the attention of the Council have been altered accordingly. Using part of the funding provided by the Welsh Government, the Council has engaged the assistance of our Joint Venture partners Capita to produce a final version of the Existing Active Travel Route Map for submission to the Welsh Government.

7.3   The consultants have used new software that has been developed on behalf of the Welsh Government for this purpose and which will enable an on-line version of the active travel route network to be kept up-to-date and accurate. However, in the light of the recent guidance issued by the Welsh Government and following discussions with other local authorities, the yellow coloured routes mentioned previously (i.e. those routes that currently do not meet the standards set down) will be removed from the final version of the Existing Active Travel Route Map that is to be submitted to the Welsh Government.

7.4   Furthermore, close liaison has been undertaken with neighbouring local authorities to ensure consistency over the mapping of cross boundary routes.

7.5   It should be noted that developing a network of high quality routes across Rhondda Cynon Taf and promoting active travel journey opportunities to local residents and visitors is an ongoing process of 'continuous improvement' which has no 'cut off' date or deadline. During 2016 and 2017, the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013 requires the Council to submit a report each year on its performance delivering improvements to existing routes and developing new routes etc as well as producing and submitting (by September 2017) an Integrated Network Map. It is intended that this document should set out the plans of the Council for Active Travel for the next 15 years.

8.   FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1   As outlined in Sections 4.4 and 7.2 of this report, the action undertaken by the Council will incur costs, but these initial costs are being met by the Welsh Government in 2015/2016 and 2016/2017 and will have no impact on the Council's own budget.

8.2   However, it is recognised that in future years, funding constraints may limit the ability of the Council to achieve continuous improvement to active travel routes in Rhondda Cynon Taf unless appropriate funding is made available by Welsh Government to meet the new legislative requirements.

9.   LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OR LEGISLATION CONSIDERED

9.1   The activities of the Council described in this report, which relate to Active Travel, are governed by the provisions set down in the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013. The Council is required to submit an Existing Active Travel Route Map for Rhondda Cynon Taf to the Welsh Government by 22nd January 2016.

10. LINKS TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE PLAN / OTHER CORPORATE PRIORITIES

10.1 The promotion of more sustainable forms of transport such as walking and cycling, for short journeys and non-recreational purposes, will improve the health and wellbeing of local residents and their access to key facilities and services. These aims are linked to the objectives covering health and prosperity set out in the Council's Single Integrated Plan and emerging Corporate Plan.

11. CONCLUSION

11.1 Over the last 15 years, the Council has been actively involved in the development of an extensive network of Community Routes and Safe Routes in Communities that provide residents with an alternative means of accessing local services and facilities located close by to them. This is particularly the case in communities where households do not own a car and where there are underlying levels of deprivation associated with poor health.

11.2 Delivering an expanded network of active travel routes in Rhondda Cynon Taf, and maintaining this network to high quality standards, will present a challenge to the Council in the current financial climate. Notwithstanding this, the outcome of the consultation exercise has informed the Council in its preparation of future bids for funding Community Routes and Safe Routes in Communities Schemes and it will help to build upon the Council's achievements to date. It also enables the Council to submit an Existing Active Travel Route Map for Rhondda Cynon Taf to the Welsh Government in accordance with the requirements of the Active Travel Act 2013.

APPENDIX A

CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS

- **Example of a draft Existing Active Travel Route Map for a Council Ward (to view all the active travel routes in Rhondda Cynon Taf please acces the following link:-**
http://www.rctcbc.gov.uk/EN/GetInvolved/Consultations/Currentconsultations.aspx

- **Frequently Asked Questions**

- **English version of Questionnaire**

- **Existing Route Map Statement (setting out why a particular route has been designated suitable for Active Travel even though it may have failed to meet the standards set out by the Welsh Government)**

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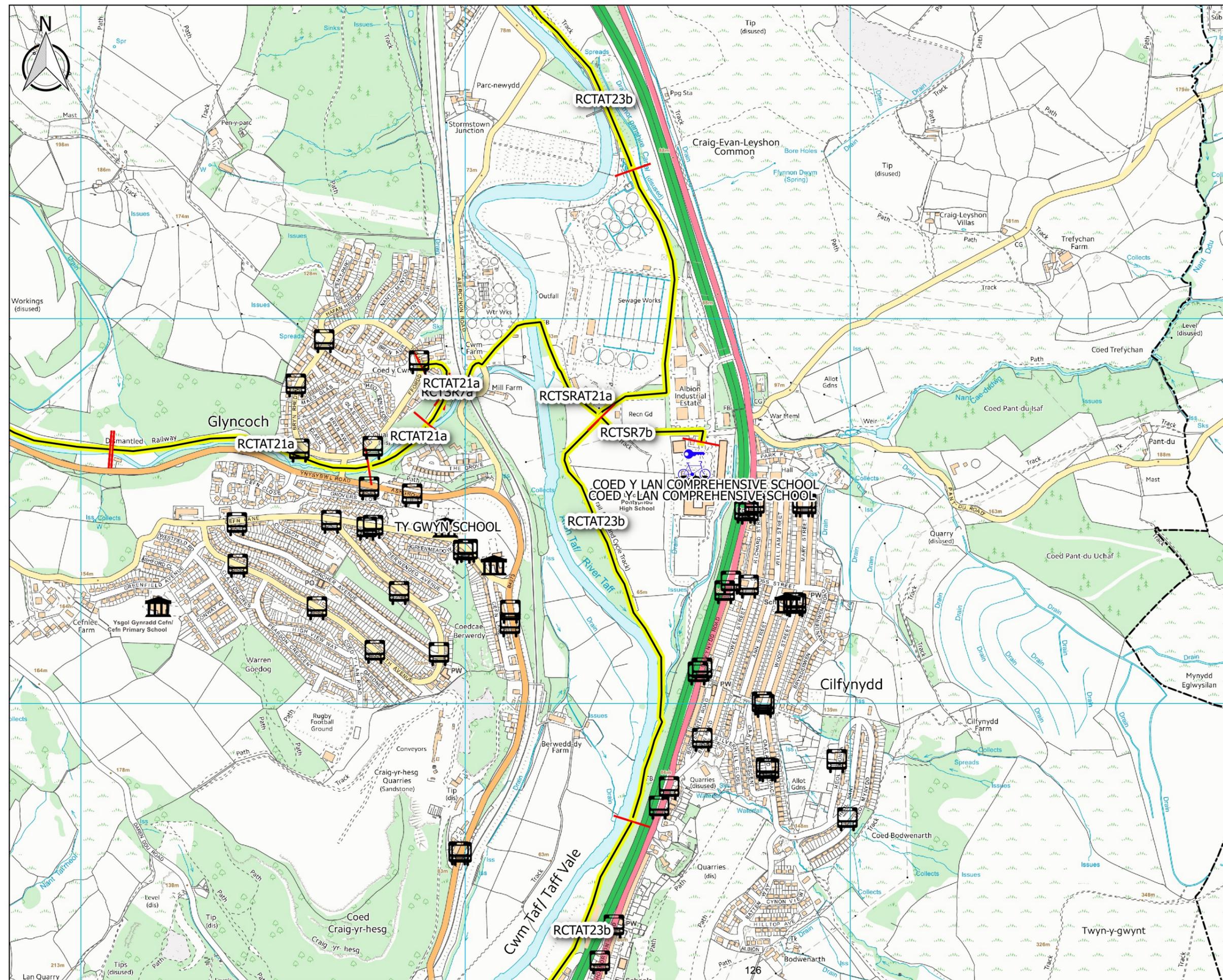TREFTADAETH GADARN | DYFODOL SICR

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- Route suitable for pedestrians (but some improvements necessary)
- Missing
- station_point
- Cycle_Storage
- Bus_Stops
- Schools
- Hospitals
- Colleges
- Theatre Stadiums
- Public Gardens
- BUA_RCT
- RCTBoundary

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ACTIVE TRAVEL CONSULTATION

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

What is Active Travel?
Active Travel is the name given for everyday, short distance journeys that people make on foot or by cycle such as to work, school, college or to reach the shops and other facilities. This can also include users of wheelchairs or other mobility aids.

Active Travel does not refer to journeys that people may make for recreational reasons, such as walking or cycling in the countryside.

Why is the Council consulting over Active Travel at the present time?
In September 2014, the Welsh Government introduced the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013. This legislation makes it a legal requirement for Councils in Wales, during 2015, to map and plan for suitable routes for active travel within a number of their communities, as specified by the Welsh Government.

What is the purpose of this consultation exercise?
Active Travel journeys can offer a number of benefits to both individuals and local communities such as improvements to their health and wellbeing and a reduction in local air pollution if fewer, short distance journeys are made by car.

The Council would like to expand and improve the quality and provision of Active Travel routes throughout Rhondda Cynon Taf and this consultation exercise will help us to do that.

How can I get involved?
The consultation period starts on **23 October 2015** and will close on **15 January 2016.** You can take part online by visiting the Council's website and completing the questionnaire.

Alternative formats of this questionnaire are also available upon request by telephoning 01443 494714.

As part of the consultation exercise, the Council will also be contacting a number of local organisations and bodies in Rhondda Cynon Taf for their views and comments.

Can you tell me more about the mapping of Active Travel routes that was mentioned earlier?
For the communities in Rhondda Cynon Taf, the Council has produced detailed 'Existing Route Maps' that show the various sections of the active travel routes which may either be on-road (shared with vehicles) or on traffic free paths. Each map has been given a Route Code to help you reference your comments.

The routes shown have been assessed using the guidance issued by the Welsh Government. The green colour routes on the maps have met the standards set out in the guidance and are suitable for active travel. The yellow colour routes on the maps have narrowly failed to meet the standards but are still considered suitable for active travel. An Existing Route Map Statement, which has been produced to accompany these maps, includes an explanation of why the yellow colour routes are still considered suitable for active travel.

These particular maps only include existing routes that meet the definition of an Active Travel route as set down in the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013.

What will happen to the information that I provide as part of the consultation exercise?
All responses received by Rhondda Cynon Taf Council will be viewed in full by officers involved in this exercise. The information may also be viewed by other departments within the Council or by other parties to help improve the services provided.

The Council may also use the information obtained to publish subsequent documents both directly and indirectly linked to this consultation. However, the Council will never disclose any personal information such as names or addresses that could identify an individual.

If you do not wish for your comments to be published, please state so in your response.

What will happen after the consultation exercise finishes?
The Council will examine and consider all the responses that it receives before submitting the final version of the Existing Route Maps to the Welsh Government by 22 January 2016.

At the same time, the Council will start implementing the next stage of the Active Travel legislation which involves the preparation and production of an Integrated Network Map.

Thank you for your interest and involvement in Active Travel

ACTIVE TRAVEL QUESTIONNAIRE : HAVE YOUR SAY

Thank you for taking the time to complete our survey. The information that you can provide will help us to develop the Active Travel route network in Rhondda Cynon Taf. Please see the 'Your Questions Answered' pages for more information about Active Travel.

When completing this survey, please ensure that you view the map(s) showing the Active Travel routes in the areas of Rhondda Cynon Taf that you are interested in. This can be done by clicking on the following link (online only) that takes you to a list of the Council Wards that have an Active Travel route. Please note that in some Council Wards, there are no Active Travel routes.

Q1   How often do you walk or cycle compared to last year?

	More often	About the same	Less often	Not sure	N/A
Walk	○	○	○	○	○
Cycle	○	○	○	○	○

Q2   If you have said either more often or less often, compared to last year, why is this?

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Q3   Please select the area you mostly use for active travel journeys - if you use active travel routes in more than one area listed below, please complete a separate survey: **(please make sure you are able to view the Active Travel route maps before answering the next few questions)**

N.B. Areas with an * do not currently have an existing active travel route.

◯ Aberaman*	Go to Q40	◯ Pentre*	Go to Q40
◯ Abercynon	Go to Q4	◯ Penygraig*	Go to Q40
◯ Aberdare	Go to Q5	◯ Penywaun	Go to Q20
◯ Beddau	Go to Q6	◯ Pontyclun	Go to Q21
◯ Brynna*	Go to Q40	◯ Pontypridd Town	Go to Q22
◯ Church Village	Go to Q7	◯ Porth	Go to Q23
◯ Cilfynydd	Go to Q8	◯ Rhigos	Go to Q24
◯ Cwm Clydach*	Go to Q40	◯ Rhondda	Go to Q25
◯ Cwmbach	Go to Q9	◯ Rhydfelin	Go to Q26
◯ Cymmer	Go to Q10	◯ Taffs Well	Go to Q27
◯ Ferndale*	Go to Q40	◯ Talbot Green	Go to Q28
◯ Gilfach Goch	Go to Q11	◯ Tonteg	Go to Q29
◯ Glyncoch	Go to Q12	◯ Tonypandy*	Go to Q40
◯ Graig	Go to Q13	◯ Tonyrefail	Go to Q30
◯ Hawthorn	Go to Q14	◯ Trallwng	Go to Q31
◯ Hirwaun	Go to Q15	◯ Trealaw*	Go to Q40
◯ Llanharan	Go to Q16	◯ Treforest	Go to Q32
◯ Llanharry*	Go to Q40	◯ Treherbert	Go to Q33
◯ Llantrisant Town	Go to Q17	◯ Treorchy*	Go to Q40
◯ Llantwit Fardre	Go to Q18	◯ Tylorstown	Go to Q34
◯ Llwynypia*	Go to Q40	◯ Tyn y Nant*	Go to Q40
◯ Maerdy*	Go to Q40	◯ Ynyshir	Go to Q35
◯ Mountain Ash	Go to Q19	◯ Ynysybwl	Go to Q36
◯ Penrhiwceiber*	Go to Q40	◯ Ystrad*	Go to Q40

Q4   Abercynon

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 28 RCT   ☐ 99 RCT   ☐ 124 RCT

☐ 97 RCT   ☐ 123 RCT

Q5   Aberdare

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 2 RCT   ☐ 110 RCT   ☐ 117 RCT

☐ 3 RCT   ☐ 111 RCT   ☐ 118 RCT

☐ 5 RCT   ☐ 114 RCT   ☐ 121 RCT

Q6   Beddau

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 48 RCT

Q7   Church Village

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 56 RCT

Q8   Cilfynydd

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 125 RCT

Q9   Cwmbach

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 103 RCT   ☐ 108 RCT   ☐ 109 RCT

Q10   Cymmer

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 69 RCT

Q11   Gilfach Goch

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 6 RCT

Q12   Glyncoch

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 94 RCT

Q13   Graig

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 71 RCT   ☐ 72 RCT

Q14   Hawthorn

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 15 RCT   ☐ 21 RCT   ☐ 136 RCT
☐ 17 RCT   ☐ 84 RCT
☐ 19 RCT   ☐ 130 RCT

Q15   Hirwaun

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 66 RCT

Q16   Llanharan

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 30 RCT

Q17   Llantrisant

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 32 RCT   ☐ 47 RCT   ☐ 51 RCT
☐ 46 RCT   ☐ 49 RCT

Q18   Llantwit Fardre

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 50 RCT   ☐ 53 RCT   ☐ 57 RCT

Q19 Mountain Ash

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 98 RCT   ☐ 102 RCT

☐ 101 RCT   ☐ 105 RCT

Q20 Penywaun

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 120 RCT

Q21 Pontyclun

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 41 RCT

Q22 Pontypridd Town Centre

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below.

☐ 132 RCT

Q23 Porth

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 80 RCT

Q24 Rhigos

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 63 RCT   ☐ 64 RCT

Q25 Rhondda

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 70 RCT

Q26 Rhydfelin

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 20 RCT   ☐ 135 RCT

Q27   Taffs Well

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 81 RCT   ☐ 83 RCT   ☐ 131 RCT

Q28   Talbot Green

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 34 RCT   ☐ 38 RCT
☐ 37 RCT   ☐ 39 RCT

Q29   Tonteg

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 55 RCT   ☐ 61 RCT

Q30   Tonyrefail

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 8 RCT   ☐ 88 RCT
☐ 31 RCT   ☐ 89 RCT

Q31   Trallwng

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 126 RCT   ☐ 127 RCT   ☐ 133 RCT

Q32   Treforest

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 59 RCT   ☐ 60 RCT   ☐ 85 RCT

Q33   Treherbert

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 10 RCT   ☐ 12 RCT

Q34   Tylorstown

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 76 RCT   ☐ 78 RCT

Q35   Ynyshir

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 74 RCT   ☐ 77 RCT
☐ 75 RCT   ☐ 79 RCT

Q36   Ynysybwl

Please refer to the Map pack to view the various Active Travel routes whilst completing this questionnaire and select the relevant route ID from the list below. (select as many as apply)

☐ 95 RCT   ☐ 96 RCT   ☐ 145 RCT

Q37   Would you like to comment on another Active Travel route in a different area?

◯ Yes
◯ No

Please complete the survey again to comment on another area. Click 'Next' to continue with questions related to your chosen route(s).

Q38   Referring to the route(s) that you have selected, please tell us why you use this route(s):

☐ I use this route(s) for walking
☐ I use this route(s) for cycling
☐ It's the most convenient way to get to my destination
☐ I feel safe using this route
☐ This route is kept in a good condition
☐ This route is easy to use for walking / cycling

Q39   Please use this space to provide any further comments about the route(s) you have selected (making reference to your route ID in your comments):

[   ]

Q40 If you have NOT selected an Active Travel route, can you say why?

Please tick all the boxes that apply.

- ☐ There are no Active Travel routes near where I live or want to get to
- ☐ I feel that I am either too young, too old or infirm to be able to cycle or walk along them
- ☐ There are no facilities to safely store a bike where I live
- ☐ There are no facilities to safely store a bike where I work, shop or visit
- ☐ I don't own a bicycle and are not likely to own one
- ☐ There are no facilities where I work, shop or visit to freshen-up after cycling or walking
- ☐ The car, bus, taxi or train is convenient for travelling to where I want to get to
- ☐ I feel the area is not suitable for cycling or walking as there are a lot of hills
- ☐ I have concerns over my security and safety.

Please can you give more details:

[ ]

Q41 The Council would like to encourage more people to walk and cycle in Rhondda Cynon Taf to help improve their health and wellbeing. What improvements do you think would encourage more people to undertake Active Travel journeys?

Please tick a MAXIMUM of 5 features below that are important to you.

- ☐ Condition of footway / cycleway surface
- ☐ Surface drainage during periods of heavy rain
- ☐ Installation of CCTV security cameras along the route
- ☐ Installation of lighting along the route
- ☐ General maintenance (removal of litter, grass cutting, gritting etc)
- ☐ Length of waiting and crossing times at crossing points
- ☐ Reduction or relocation of potential obstructions such as sign poles / barriers
- ☐ Prevention of parking on footways or cycleways
- ☐ Provision of crossing points along the route
- ☐ Provision of dropped kerbs along the route
- ☐ Provision of tactile paving along the route
- ☐ Provision of barriers to restrict access to non-cyclists and non-walkers
- ☐ Speed of road vehicles in built-up areas

Q42 Would you like to see more Active Travel routes provided throughout the Rhondda Cynon Taf area? Are there any gaps in the existing network? Please can you provide more details including the starting and end points of each suggested route?

[ ]

PLEASE CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

We want to make sure that the Active Travel routes in Rhondda Cynon Taf are made available to everyone in the community and everyone is treated fairly. We ask for the following information to help us improve services and identify gaps or barriers.

Please can you complete as much information as you are comfortable with. It is confidential.

Q43 Which of the following describes how you think of yourself?

○ Male   ○ Intersex   ○ Prefer not to say

○ Female   ○ Transgender

Q44 Which age group do you fall into?

○ Under 18   ○ 35 - 44   ○ 65 - 74

○ 18 - 24   ○ 45 - 54   ○ 75 or over

○ 25 - 34   ○ 55 - 64

Q45 Sexual Orientation

Select the option that best describes how you think of yourself

○ Heterosexual / Straight   ○ Gay Woman / Lesbian   ○ Prefer not to say

○ Gay Man   ○ Bisexual   ○ Other

(please state below)

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Q46 Religion or Belief

○ Christian   ○ Hindu   ○ No Religion

○ Buddhist   ○ Jewish   ○ Prefer not to say

○ Sikh   ○ Muslim   ○ Other

(please state below)

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Q47 Disability

The definition of disability in the Equality Act is: 'a physical or mental impairment affecting the body or mind which has a substantial or long term adverse effect on the ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities'.

Do you consider yourself to be disabled?

○ Yes   ○ No   ○ Prefer not to say

Q48   Ethnic Group (Please tick one box)

○ White British	○ Asian Welsh	○ Black Caribbean
○ White Cornish	○ Asian Bangladeshi	○ Black African
○ White English	○ Asian Chinese	○ Black Other (please state below)
○ White Irish	○ Asian Indian	○ Mixed White and Black Caribbean
○ White Scottish	○ Asian Pakistani	○ Mixed White and Black African
○ White Welsh	○ Asian Other (please state below)	○ Mixed White and Asian
○ White Other (please state below)	○ Black British	○ Mixed Other (please state below)
○ Asian British	○ Black Cornish	○ Other Ethnic group
○ Asian Cornish	○ Black English	○ Gypsy / Romany /Irish Traveller
○ Asian English	○ Black Irish	○ Other (please state below)
○ Asian Irish	○ Black Scottish	○ Prefer not to say
○ Asian Scottish	○ Black Welsh	

White Other

Asian Other

Black Other

Mixed Other Other

Other

About you - these questions are optional.

Name:

Email contact:

Tel. no:

Postcode:

Q49   Do you give permission for the Council to contact you in connection with this Active Travel consultation?

○ Yes

○ No

Rhondda Cynon Taf will process the information you have provided in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. The information may be used for statistical purposes but all personal details will be anonymous.

If you have any queries about this survey please contact Adrian Morgan on (01443) 494714 or **adrian.c.morgan@rctcbc.gov.uk**

Please click on '**Submit**' if you are taking part in an online version.

Thank you for your interest and involvement.

EXISTING ROUTE MAP STATEMENT

SETTLEMENT	ROUTE	ROUTE / SECTION CODE	EXPLANATION OF SUITABILITY FOR ACTIVE TRAVEL
Abercynon	Glancynon - YGG Abercynon	SR11b	This route provides a key walking route to YGG Abercynon from most parts of Glancynon with designated crossing points provided. This route would benefit from the widening of the footway (in places), restrictions to on-street parking and the re-positioning of several sign poles.
Aberdare East Aberdare West	Gadlys - St John Baptist Church in Wales High School	SR1a	Although relatively short in length, this off-road route from Maelgwyn Terrace is not considered to have met the standards for Active Travel, as set out by the Welsh Government. However, this can be addressed by improving the surface, widening the route and providing storage facilities for cyclists at the school.
Aberdare East Aberdare West	Trecynon - St John Baptist Church in Wales High School	SR2a SR2b	This route from Park Lane comprises an off-road and an on-road section. Both sections currently do not meet the standards for Active Travel. The off-road section has a steep gradient and is isolated and not close to properties. Notwithstanding this, improvements to other aspects such as the quality of the surfacing, more effective signage to/from the school and along the route where there may be conflict with vehicles using access roads. In addition, the provision of storage facilities for cyclists will ensure standards are reached on both sections of the route.
Glyncoch	Coed y Cwm - Pontypridd High School	SR7a	This route provides a direct (off-road) link between Coed y Cwm Estate and Pontypridd High School. The alternative route is predominantly on-road via Trallwn and approximately 4-5 times longer. Whilst a short section of this route has a steep gradient, which makes it potentially difficult for users with a mobility impairment, it would benefit from an improved maintenance regime to tackle vandalism and overgrowth and the provision of improved surfacing.

SETTLEMENT	ROUTE	ROUTE / SECTION CODE	EXPLANATION OF SUITABILITY FOR ACTIVE TRAVEL
Hawthorn	Rhydyfelin - Hawthorn Leisure Centre	SR9a	This route provides an important walking route to Hawthorn Leisure Centre from parts of Rhydyfelin Estate. Although there is a relatively steep gradient on the approach to Hawthorn Leisure Centre, This route would benefit from the relocation of several crossing points, provision of dropped kerbs at these locations and improved surfacing to eliminate tripping hazards.
Mountain Ash East Mountain Ash West	Fernhill - Mountain Ash Comprehensive School and Ysbyty Cwm Cynon Hospital	SR10b	This route provides a direct (off-road) link between Fernhill Estate and Mountain Ash Comprehensive School and Ysbyty Cwm Cynon Hospital. The alternative route is predominantly on-road via Mountain Ash town centre and approximately 3-4 times longer. This route would benefit from an improved maintenance regime, signage and surfacing.
Rhydyfelin	Rhydyfelin - Heol y Celyn Primary School	SR9a SR9d	This route is one of the main walking and cycling routes to Heol y Celyn Primary School within Rhydyfelin Estate. The off-road section would benefit from improved maintenance (such as removing encroaching vegetation) as it is isolated from residents' homes. The on-road section would benefit from improved surfacing and measures to address issues of obstruction on the footway eg. refuse bags, parked vehicles mounting the kerb, positioning of street furniture.
Tonyrefail East Tonyrefail West	Town Centre - Tonyrefail School	SR5b	This route is split into an off-road section and (on the approach to the school) an on-road section. The on-road section is considered not to meet the standards for Active Travel. It would benefit from improved surfacing and signage and the provision of storage facilities for cyclists at the school.
Treherbert	Tynewydd - Penpych Primary School	SR6b	A short section of this Active Travel route, which joins Gwendoline Street, currently does not meet the standards set out by the Welsh Government in its guidance. The alternative route avoiding this section would put users into potential conflict with traffic travelling around a sharp bend into Wyndham Street. This particular section of route would benefit from improved surfacing and signage.

SETTLEMENT	ROUTE	ROUTE / SECTION CODE	EXPLANATION OF SUITABILITY FOR ACTIVE TRAVEL
Abercynon Pontypridd Rhydyfelin Nantgarw Taffs Well	Taff Trail	Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6	This route provides a key walking and cycling route from the County boundary with Merthyr Tydfil at Quakers Yard to the south of the County Borough at Taffs Well. The route includes both on and off road sections. These sections of the route do not meet the standards for Active Travel, as set out by the Welsh Government. However, this can be addressed by improving the surface of route, widening some sections of the route, junction improvements, speed reduction where feasible, restrictions to on-street parking, the re- positioning/improvements to signage, improved maintenance of vegetation and possible inclusion of lighting, where feasible. This route is predominantly on the public highway and is therefore suitable for use by pedestrians.
Pontypridd Porth Pontygwaith	Route 881	Section 1 & 2	This route provides a direct (largely off-road) route between Pontypridd and Porth. Whilst this route is quite remote, predominantly unlit and short sections have a steep gradient, which makes it potentially difficult for users with a mobility impairment, the alternative route is on-road along a busy carriageway, with no provision for pedestrian or cyclists. This route would benefit from improved signage, surfacing, junction improvements, and inclusion of lighting, where feasible, in order to meet the standards for Active Travel. This route is predominantly on the public highway and is therefore suitable for use by pedestrians.
Tonyrefail East Tonyrefail West	Celtic Trail	Section 1 & 2	This route provides on and off road routes between Thomastown, Tonyrefail and Tref-y-Rhug. This route does not meet the standards for Active Travel, as set out by the Welsh Government. However, this can be partially addressed by implementing junction improvements, restrictions to on-street parking where feasible and re-positioning/improvements to signage. Given the nature of this settlement, there is limited scope to provide segregated routes for cyclists. This route is predominantly on the public highway and is therefore suitable for use by pedestrians.

SETTLEMENT	ROUTE	ROUTE / SECTION CODE	EXPLANATION OF SUITABILITY FOR ACTIVE TRAVEL
Hirwaun Aberdare East Aberdare West Fernhill Mountain Ash East & West Abercynon	Cynon Trail	Sections 1, 2, 3, 4	This route provides on and off road routes between Hirwaun in the north of the Cynon valley to Abercynon in the south. This route does not meet the standards for Active Travel, as set out by the Welsh Government. However, this can be partially addressed by improving the surface of route, widening some sections of the route, junction improvements, speed reduction where feasible, restrictions to on-street parking, the re-positioning/improvements to signage, improved maintenance of vegetation and possible inclusion of lighting to be considered, where feasible. This route is predominantly on the public highway and is therefore suitable for use by pedestrians.
Hirwaun	NCN 46	Sections 1 & 2	This route provides a combination of on and off road provision for cyclists between the village of Cefn Rhigos and Hirwaun town centre. This route does not meet the standards for Active Travel, as set out by the Welsh Government. This is largely as a result of the remote nature of the location of the settlement in which the route travel through at one end, and the congested town centre with limited scope for improvement at the other. Junction improvements, further speed reduction where feasible, and restrictions to on-street parking would benefit this route. This route is predominantly on the public highway and is therefore suitable for use by pedestrians.
Talbot Green	Llantrisant Community Route	Section 3	This route is part of a wider route between Coedely and Pontyclun Railway Station. This section of the route does not meet the standards for Active Travel, as set out by the Welsh Government. This section of route is located on road through Talbot Green town centre where there is limited scope to provide segregated provision for cyclists. Junction improvements, restrictions to on-street parking and installation of cycle parking would benefit this section route. This route is predominantly on the public highway and is therefore suitable for use by pedestrians.

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APPENDIX B

ACTIVE TRAVEL CONSULTATION

OUTCOME OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION EXERCISE

REF. NO.	NAME OF RESPONDENT AND SUMMARY OF COMMENTS	RCT CBC OBSERVATIONS	PROPOSED COURSE OF ACTION
1. 1.1	**Disability Wales** Generally welcomes the Active Travel route conceptualisation as it promotes healthier lifestyles for all. However, local authority planners must recognise that private car use is essential to enable disabled people to live independently in the community. Any proposed route design implementation must not impede on private car use by local disabled people.	Where possible, the design of Active Travel routes are to avoid conflict with road vehicles in order to minimise the risk of collisions and accidents with walkers and cyclists.	None.
1.2	Conducting Equality Impact Assessments is a must in any decision making process, especially those which relate to the Active Travel route design and planning. Regard must be paid to the UN Convention on the Rights of Disabled People which the UK Govt ratified in 2010.	An EIA is normally carried out in connection with a proposed transport scheme. This is in order to meet the Council's duty under race, disability and gender legislation and address impacts from anti-discrimination and equalities legislation on communities.	No change to current practices.
1.3	Shared space is a great concern to disabled people and other 'vulnerable' pedestrians. Actual and perceived risks of having an accident or coming to harm through collisions discourage many disabled people from using paths to keep fit, for example. Allowing enough room to safely pass other pedestrians who may be slower or coming in the opposite direction is important.	Noted, however no specific locations were stated in their response.	Issue can be tackled through careful design and engineering along routes well as through 'soft' measures such as education and behaviour change.
1.4	Features (or lack of features) along an Active Travel route can make it difficult for disabled people to navigate or negotiate. Surfaces (smooth tarmac or gravel terrain, colour), use of cambers, gradient considerations, provision of lighting and strategically placed seating to allow frequent breaks as required. Provision of CCTV may also increase disabled peoples' confidence in using the Active Travel routes.	The topography of the South Wales valleys can act as a barrier to Active Travel for certain groups of the population, particularly if the route does not run along a valley floor. At some locations, environmental considerations mean that it is not possible to install lighting and/or CCTV. eg. impact on wildlife.	To review the maintenance regime to ensure existing Active Travel routes are kept in a good condition for all users - within the resources available to the Council. Many of the issues highlighted can be tackled through careful design and engineering along routes.

REF. NO.	NAME OF RESPONDENT AND SUMMARY OF COMMENTS	RCT CBC OBSERVATIONS	PROPOSED COURSE OF ACTION
1.5	While planning their journey, disabled people must be confident that the path remains accessible for the entirety of their journey.	Noted. Potential barriers (such as steep gradients and uneven surfaces along a route), that can restrict access for a disabled person, are detailed in a Statement that accompanies the Existing Route Maps.	To consider what changes can be made to the legend of the Existing Route Maps to assist disabled people when planning their journeys, without adversely affecting the general layout and style of these maps.
1.6	Some disabled people enjoy cycling either with a conventional pedal bike or hand cycle. Active Travel routes must reflect ease of use for all cyclists not only those with 'standard upright bikes'. Adapted cycles such as tricycles or hand cycles could require extra space due to a wider turning circle needed.	Noted. See comments above as similar issues apply eg shared space, gradients etc.	Can be addressed at the design stage of the construction of a proposed new Active Travel route or during improvements to an existing route.
1.7	Local authorities should co-ordinate a fully inclusive active engagement process with local disabled people and disabled peoples' groups and organisations rather than merely consult with them. Positive engagement and open, transparent dialogue at the route planning stage is a must to ensure local disabled people have a say in route creation and are able to inform local authorities of potential access barriers to their use.	The Council and its staff take a proactive role liaising and having an active dialogue with both individuals and local disabled organisations regarding transport and travel matters in the Rhondda Cynon Taf area. Various fora and mechanisms are utilised. This is also the case for children and young people, in which the development of Active Travel routes can complement the changes taking place to the discretionary element of home-to-school transport.	No change to current practices.
1.8	Where Active Travel routes cross local authority boundaries there must be clear collaboration and dialogue between neighbouring local authorities to ensure disabled peoples' access is consistent throughout the whole route.	The Council liaises closely and regularly with neighbouring local authorities over transport matters and proposed transport schemes.	No change to current practices.
2. 2.1	**Stagecoach in South Wales** Bus stops and transport hubs should be included in Active Travel maps in order to encourage active travel that includes passenger transport.	These details are already included in the existing Active Travel Route Maps for Rhondda Cynon Taf.	No change to current practices.
2.2	Dependant upon the format, contact details for Traveline including telephone and web address should be included along with operator web site address.	Including operator web site details, as well as Traveline details, duplicates information and can reduce shelf life/ accuracy of a publication if there is a change of operator in the vicinity of an Active Travel route.	None.

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2.3	If a digital map, include the same information as provided in google maps with regard to bus stop location, services stopping at bus stops and operator / Traveline contact details.	Mapping software used for producing the Existing Route Maps, and to be used for producing the Integrated Network Map, has been evolving and the inclusion of various features has changed.	To be raised with the Welsh Government.
2.4	The active travel route will ideally indicate the type of surface, lighting arrangements and accessibility obstacles for using the active travel route.	Noted. Potential barriers (such as steep gradients and uneven surfaces along a route), that can restrict access for a disabled person, are detailed in a Statement that accompanies the Existing Route Maps. Existing Active Travel Routes that meet the standards set down by the Welsh Govt, in terms of the features provided and condition of these features, are shown colour coded with an accompanying key.	Comments to be considered further by the Welsh Government and local authorities to ensure that a consistent approach is taken.
3. 3.1	**Network Rail** In principle Network Rail supports the identification of Active Travel routes across RCT. However, the Council must ensure that no such routes utilise level crossings. Should any level crossings identified as part of an Active Travel route, Network Rail would raise a strong objection as it has an on-going programme to close level crossings in the interest of pedestrian, cyclist and vehicular safety.	One Active Travel route in RCT crosses the railway at a level crossing. This route is part of a long, established public right of way between Fernhill, Mountain Ash School and Ysbyty Cwm Cynon. A number of features are evident to maintain the safety of pedestrians and cyclists.	This route is included in the Statement that accompanies the Existing Route Map. As it provides an important link for the local community and is well used, the concerns raised by Network Rail are noted at this stage but should be considered by the Welsh Govt at a national level.
3.2	Network Rail must be advised of any Active Travel routes which utilise land structures within our ownership and which may have implications for the management or maintenance of our land and structures.	Noted. It is likely that certain sections of the Active Travel routes do utilise land and/or structures that are in Network Rail's ownership. However, the maps display existing routes along established rights of way that may be used by the public for walking or cycling. This exercise is intended to determine the suitability of existing routes not to create or change access rights.	As requested by Network Rail, the Council will liaise with the organisation's Asset Protection Wales Team whilst submitting the Existing Route Maps to the Welsh Government.

REF. NO.	NAME OF RESPONDENT AND SUMMARY OF COMMENTS	RCT CBC OBSERVATIONS	PROPOSED COURSE OF ACTION
4. 4.1	**Anonymous** Active Travel Route RCTAT13g along Cowbridge Road, Talbot Green is one alternative to crossing the Matalan roundabout but it's a big detour.	Noted.	None at this stage. Area is subject to major retail and housing development proposals in the near future which are likely to incorporate new and improved Active Travel routes.
5. 5.1	**Ms Lucy Bunce, Llantwit Fardre** The K barriers that have been put in are too narrow (Routes RCTAT14d, RCTAT14e and RCTAT14f). They mean that people using normal bikes (ie. not streamlined road bikes) have to get off and lift the bike through which is a barrier to use for older people.	The provision of barriers at the entrance / exit points of a community route are necessary to prohibit access by users other than pedestrians and cyclists whose activities can affect the safety of these users.	Alternative measures to maintain access for pedestrians and cyclists to be examined further in accordance with the new Active Travel Design Guidance Manual.
5.2	The map (No.50) does not include the lane running up by The Ship Inn, across the entrance to Ystrad Barwig farm. This is closed to through traffic, part of the community route and should be considered as an Active Travel route.	Noted.	To be investigated further.
6. 6.1	**Mr Hugh Davies, Pontypridd** Walking is a good way to stay fit and helps to keep your weight down. The more routes the better.	Noted.	New and improved walking routes and initiatives will be developed in the future. These will form part of the Council and Local Health Board's Action Plan to improve the health and well being of residents in RCT.
7. 7.1	**Anonymous** Very poor routes within RCT. Barriers restrict access along Taff Trail, particularly for people with disabilities. Dangerous roundabouts for cycling around. eg. Upper Boat Roundabout. Not enough on road provision of cycle lanes. Paths are in poor condition.	See comments above re the provision of barriers along a community route. In RCT, the busiest roundabouts are situated at interchanges with the A470 and A465 trunk roads. Alterations to their layout would require the agreement of the Welsh Govt and SWTRA. On-street parking and other constraints restrict the ability of the Council to provide road cycle lanes.	See comments above re the provision of barriers along a community route. Current improvements to the Upper Boat Roundabout involve signalising the gyratory. This will reduce traffic speeds and manage flows in a manner more suited to cycling.
7.2	Poor on road provision of cycle lanes. Dangerous roundabouts particularly Upper Boat Roundabout.	See comments above.	See comments above.

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7.3	No direct link through Upper Boat Roundabout. Poor on road provision between Treforest and Pontypridd. The double land round into Pontypridd and wide pavement has no cycling provision.	The scope of the highway works currently being carried out at Upper Boat Roundabout, on behalf of WG and SWTRA, does not include the provision of cycle lanes as this would require the acquisition of land not in LA ownership. However, the works do include improved crossing points with dropped kerbs and signal activated controls. There is a designated off-road cycle route between Treforest and Pontypridd. Shown on map and route is signposted.	In exercising its highway functions, the Council will ensure compliance with the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013 - in terms of constructing, maintaining and improving the highways in RCT.
8. **8.1**	**Ms K Morgan, Abercynon** Community Routes RCTAT 23a and 23b could do with better lighting after 6pm. Have been mugged in Abercynon and on old road to Cilfynydd in past.	Noted. However, the installation of lighting in the more rural sections may cause local pollution and may have an adverse impact on wildlife.	Comments will be investigated further in terms of the environmental considerations.
8.2	Would like to see more Active Travel routes provided throughout Rhondda Cynon Taf. Poor facilities for wheelchair users along some routes in Abercynon, Cilfynydd and Taff Trail.	It is recognised that there may be scope to improve facilities for wheelchair users along some sections of the community routes in RCT.	Liaise with local organisations representing disabled groups in order to identify locations and the action required.

RESULTS OF FACE-TO-FACE INTERVIEWS

Origin of Journeys	Destination of Journeys
Home (34) Beddau (1)	Pontypridd (6) Cardiff (5) Church Village (3) Talbot Green (3) Llantrisant (2) Upper Boat (2) New Tredegar (2) Porth (2) Bridgend (2) Aberdare (2) Pontyclun (1) Cwmbach (1) Cwmbran (1) Merthyr (1) Royal Glamorgan Hospital (1) Caerphilly (1)

Pontyclun (2)   Maesycoed (3)   Aberdare (1)   Penycoedcae (1)   Church Village (1)
Cross Inn (1)

It can be seen that the main destinations for the respondents are Pontypridd and Cardiff with journeys by car being the dominant mode of transport, particularly for undertaking personal business such as medical appointments etc.

It can also be seen that most journeys are undertaken on a weekly basis. It is notable that cycling has not been mentioned by any of the respondents, although this may be due to the nature of the problems reported during the interviews.

JOURNEY PURPOSE BY MODE OF TRANSPORT

PURPOSE / MODE	Car	Train	Bus	Walk	Cycle
Work	1	---	---	---	---
School / College	2	---	---	---	---
Leisure	1	1	---	1	---
Shopping	5	1	7	2	---
Personal Business	10	---	2	2	---

JOURNEY PURPOSE BY FREQUENCY OF JOURNEYS

PURPOSE / FREQUENCY	Every Day	2-3 Times a week	Weekly	Other
Work	---	---	---	1
School / College	1	---	---	1
Leisure	---	---	2	1
Shopping	2	5	6	2
Personal Business	2	2	8	2

FREQUENCY OF JOURNEYS BY MODE OF TRANSPORT

MODE / FREQUENCY	Every Day	2-3 Times a week	Weekly	Other
Car	3	4	10	2
Train	---	---	---	2
Bus	1	1	4	3
Walk	1	2	2	0
Cycle	---	---	---	---

COMMENTS MADE BY RESPONDENTS

FROM	TO	PROBLEM REPORTED	MEASURE(S) SUGGESTED TO RECTIFY PROBLEM
Home (Cross Inn)	Leisure Centre and Library	Poor pavements along Cross Inn Road.	Not given.
Home (Church Village)	Local Shops	No pedestrian crossing at village crossroads.	Install controlled crossing with lights. (This is being actioned by the Council).
Home (Church Village)	Local Shops	Pedestrian crossing in village is used by approx 20 - 30 children per day.	Install controlled crossing with lights. (This is being actioned by the Council).
Home (Aberdare)	Town Centre	Insufficient lighting. Car parking is too expensive in the town centre.	More lighting. Lower charges for car parking.
Home (Aberdare)	Merthyr Tydfil	Too much traffic.	More traffic lights.
Home (Pontypridd)	Local Area	Cycle path in area is overgrown. Some work has been done, but not enough.	More clearing required.
Home (Pontypridd)	Local Area	Uneven paving around area.	More maintenance required.
Home (Pontypridd)	Local Cycle Path	Overgrown.	Has been reported to the Council to deal with.
Home (Pontypridd)	Church	Poor pavement.	Being repaired by the Council.

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