

CABINET

28 TACHWEDD 2022

AILDDOSBARTHU'R A476 CROSS HANDS

Y Pwrpas:

Y bwriad oedd agor Ffordd Gyswllt Economaidd Cross Hands i draffig ym mis Hydref 2022. Cynigir y bydd dosbarthiadau ffordd yn cael eu diwygio i wneud y ffordd gyswllt newydd yr A476 a bydd rhan o ffordd bresennol yr A476 yn cael ei dosbarthu fel ffordd B.

Mae'r cynnig hwn wedi'i drafod gyda Llywodraeth Cymru sy'n rheoli'r rhwydwaith Cefnffyrdd sy'n cefnogi'r cynnig. Mae mân addasiadau eraill wedi'u cynnwys hefyd.

Os cytunir, bydd y gwaith ailddosbarthu yn cael ei gydlynu gyda newidiadau i arwyddion ar y Rhwydwaith Cefnffyrdd gyda threfniadau dros dro ar waith hyd nes y bydd y ffordd yn cael ei hailddosbarthu.

Yr argymhellion / penderfyniadau allweddol sydd eu hangen:

Cytuno i'r egwyddor o ailddosbarthu'r A476 yn Cross Hands.

Y Rhesymau:

Sicrhau bod traffig yn cael ei reoli'n effeithiol a sicrhau y manteisir yn llawn ar y ffordd newydd.

Angen i'r Cabinet wneud penderfyniad OES

Angen i'r Cyngor wneud penderfyniad NAC OES

YR AELOD CABINET SY'N GYFRIFOL AM Y PORTFFOLIO:-

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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28 NOVEMBER 2022**

Reclassification of A476 Cross Hands

The construction of the Cross Hands Economic Link Road is expected to be completed in October 2022 and the new road open to traffic. The new road will provide a high quality and more direct link between the A48 Trunk Road at Cross Hands and the A476 to the north of Gorslas.

The new road will take traffic out of an urban area and away from homes and a local school. It will also relieve pressure on the existing A48/A476 roundabout at Cross Hands which can be a source of traffic congestion and delay. The new road will play a key role in facilitating access to future development sites and improving access to existing sites.

To derive all of the potential benefits of the new road it is proposed to designate it as part of the A476 and to reclassify a section of the existing A476 through Gorslas as a 'B' class road. This reclassification will enable the route north from the A48 along the A476 to Llandeilo to be signed from the grade separated junction to the east of Cross Hands rather than through the existing roundabout.

Associated with the new road a short section of the B4556 (Norton Road) will also be redesignated along a new access onto the Link Road. Plans indicating the proposed highway classifications is attached along with a plan of the existing arrangement.

Welsh Government are supportive of the changes and recognise the benefits of reclassification in relieving pressure on the key roundabout junction at Cross Hands which can become congested during peak times.

The proposal would require changes to the existing signage on the A48 Trunk Road which Welsh Government hope to be in a position to implement in 2023/24. The reclassification will be brought forward in coordination with Welsh Government's signage changes. In the interim the existing road classification will remain.

Powers to reclassify roads are vested in local authorities. Advertising and consultation is not a requirement however new road numbers, which will be required for a short section of current A476, are generated by Welsh Government.

Further details on the process are available at:

[Classification of roads and the Primary Route Network | GeoPlace LLP](#)

[GeoPlace - NSG Department for Transport A4 Insert AW3 - Revised Contact Details.indd](#)

Recommendation:

That the reclassification of the A476 is approved in principle.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

NO



CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Steve Pilliner

Head of Highways and Transportation Services

(Please specify the outcomes of consultations undertaken where they arise against the following headings)

1. Scrutiny Committee request for pre-determination	NO
If yes include the following information: -	
Scrutiny Committee	
Date the report was considered:-	
Scrutiny Committee Outcome/Recommendations:-	

2. Local Member(s)

N/A

3. Community / Town Council

NA at this stage

4. Relevant Partners

Welsh Government

South Wales Trunk Road Agency

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

N/A

**CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO
HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED**

YES

Include any observations here

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

THERE ARE NONE