



Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot
Neath Port Talbot Council

CYMMER CARRIAGEWAY REALIGNMENT SCHEME

Consultation brochure





INTRODUCTION

Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council (NPTCBC) are preparing to submit a full planning application for the proposed Cymmer Carriageway Realignment Scheme and associated works.

Please take your time considering the information available.

Background information

The road network within the Afan Valley is integral to maintaining connectivity between the local villages and communities of Cymmer, Afandale, Abercregan and Glyncorwg, allowing people to access vital facilities, services and support the local economy.

This network includes the two former railway bridges at the eastern end of Maesteg Road, one of which is a failing structure, which we intend to demolish as part of our proposals.

To address the need to improve movement within the village of Cymmer and safety concerns we are proposing several changes which make up the Cymmer Carriageway Realignment Scheme.

Location of the Cymmer Carriageway Realignment Scheme

The Cymmer Carriageway Realignment Scheme is located within the administrative boundary of NPTCBC, within the village of Cymmer in the Afan Valley. It lies approximately 437m northwest of Croeserw, 2.4km west of Blaengwynfi, and 1.86km east of Duffryn Rhondda.

The Cymmer Carriageway Realignment Scheme is centred around School Road, Station Road and Maesteg Road, together with the intervening land where the proposed realignment will be constructed.

A new Fire Station Access Road is proposed to extend northwards from the new through road, connecting to Railway Crescent. The project also incorporates Cymmer Bridge and Avon Street to the north. The total project area measures approximately 3.1 ha. The proposed layout is shown on page 5.

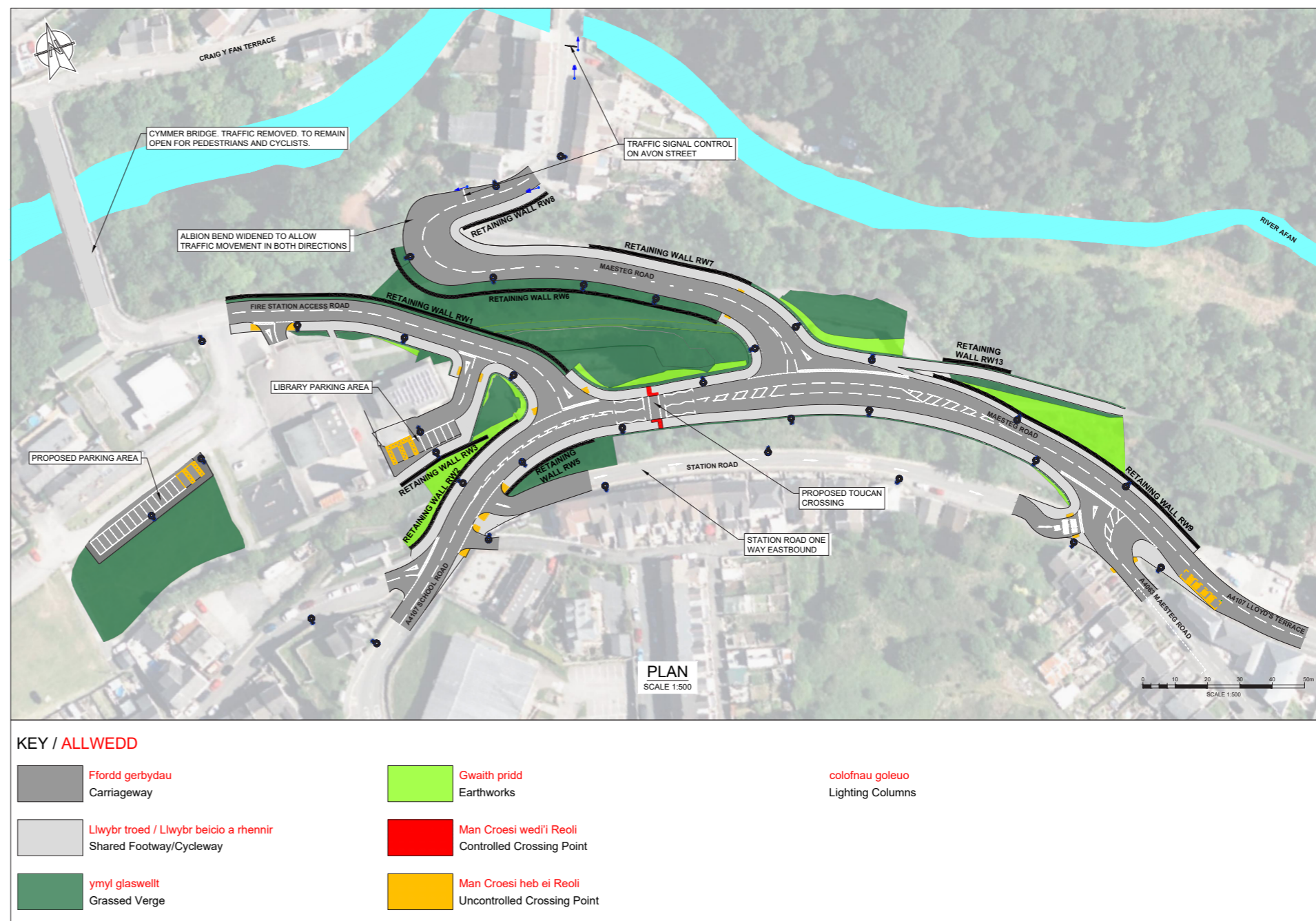
The land is mainly owned and managed by NPTCBC.



PROPOSED LAYOUT

The Cymmer Carriageway Realignment Scheme includes the following changes;

- A new realignment connecting School Road and Maesteg Road
- A new Fire Station access road, extending northwards from the new through road and connecting with Railway Crescent
- Highway improvements along sections of Station Road, Maesteg Road, Lloyds Terrace, Avon Street and Railway Crescent including road widening, resurfacing, upgrading visibility splays and improved pedestrian crossings
- The implementation of traffic signals Controlled crossing point
- Potential statutory undertakers diversions including water, sewers, electricity, telecoms and gas
- Proposed improved Cymmer Community Library parking area and new parking area south of the Refreshment Rooms as direct replacement for the Afon Forest Park spaces adjacent to the former railway bridges
- The proposed demolition and relocation of Cymmer Health Centre. The new location of the Cymmer Health Centre will be subject to a separate consultation by Swansea Bay University Health Board
- A proposed 3m width shared use footway/cycleway
- Maintenance to Cymmer Bridge to prevent further corrosion of the reinforcement and spalling of concrete



What benefits will the Cymmer Carriageway Realignment Scheme bring to the community?

In delivering the Cymmer Carriageway Realignment Scheme, our objectives are to:



Reduce the likelihood of traffic incidents through improved routes



Reduce the need for all vehicles to travel over the weight restricted bridges by providing alternative routes, without impacting public transport



Maintain suitable vehicular and pedestrian access to the villages of Cymmer, Glyncorrwg and Abercregan and other key facilities and services



Provide suitable alternative traffic routes to replace those using Cymmer Bridge, which is proposed to be retained for pedestrian and cycle use only

THE PLANNING PROCESS

The Cymmer Carriageway Realignment Scheme is categorised as a major development. Major developments require a full planning application to be submitted to the Local Planning Authority, which is NPTCBC.

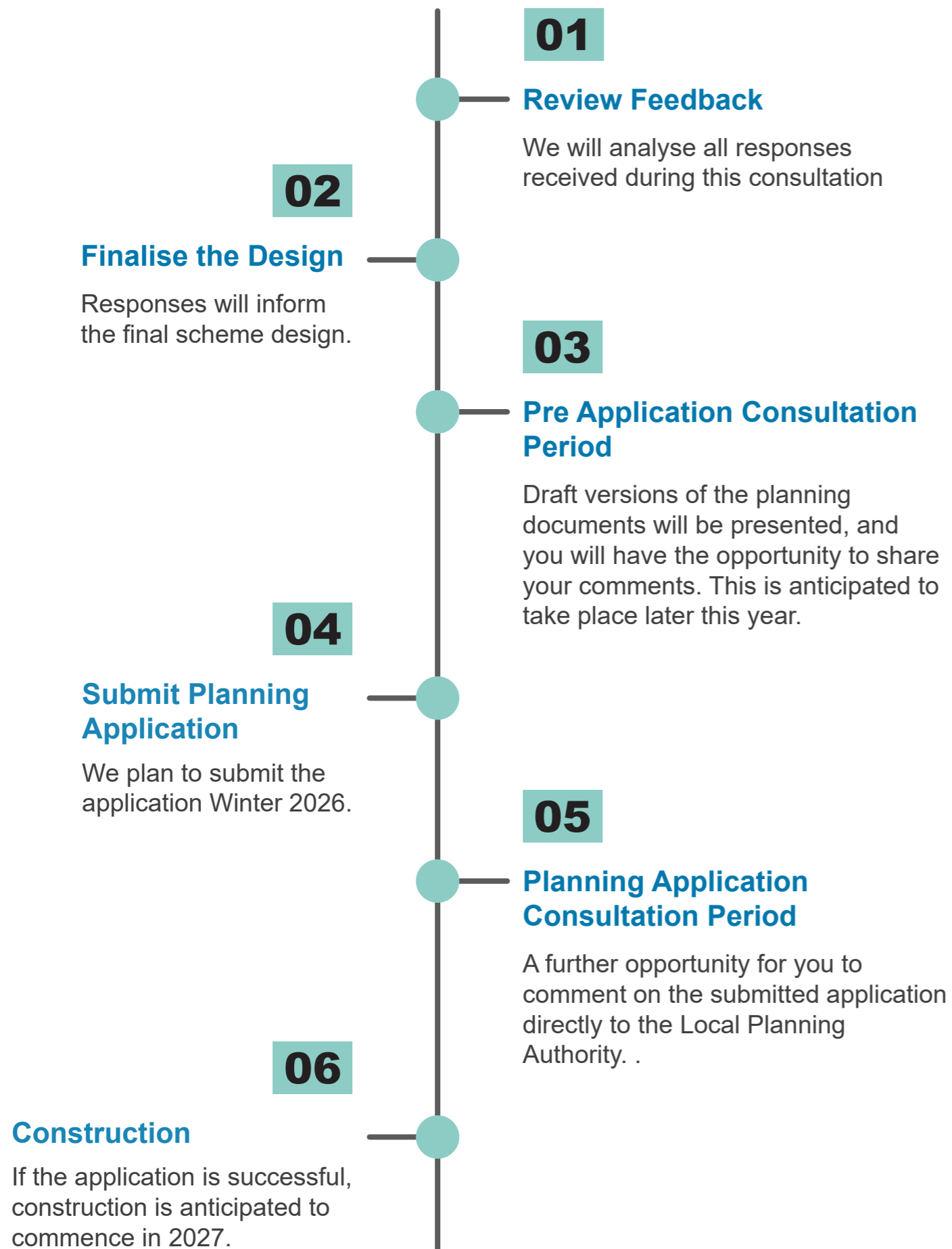
There is a requirement to hold a statutory Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) period where the draft version of the planning documents will be presented to the public and other stakeholders for comment.

We plan to hold the statutory PAC later this year.

A PAC Report will be prepared, which will evidence how the PAC requirements have been met. The PAC Report will also include a summary of all issues raised in response to the notification of the proposed application, confirmation of whether these issues have been addressed and how. The PAC Report will be submitted as part of the planning application.



NEXT STEPS



PROVIDING YOUR FEEDBACK

Providing your feedback

Your feedback is important to us and will help refine our proposals. This consultation is running from 9.00am on the Wednesday **13 May 2026 to 11.59pm on Wednesday 24 June 2026**.

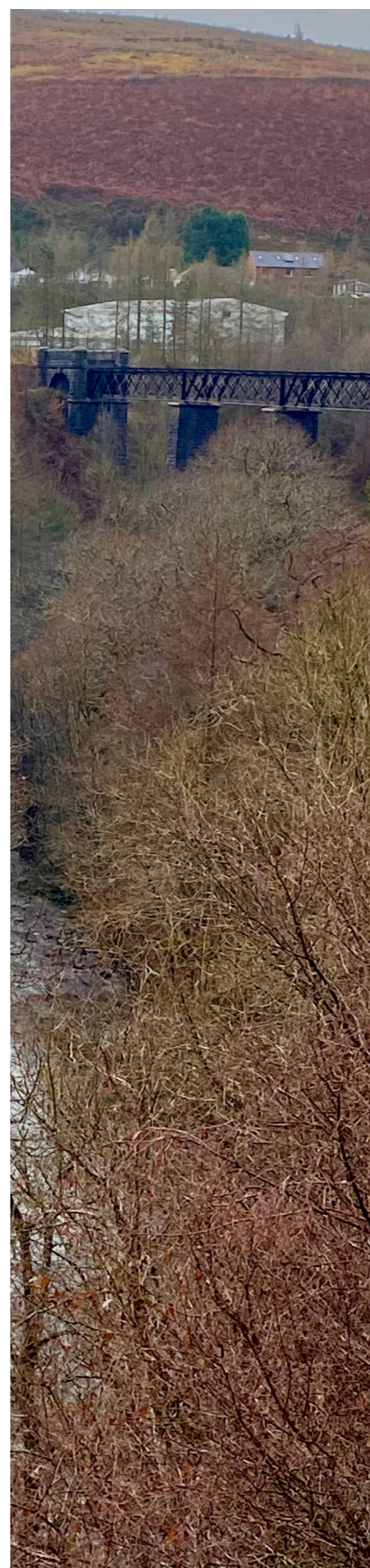


You can submit your feedback through the questionnaire on our website at: www.npt.gov.uk/council/have-your-say/consultations/. The online survey can also be accessed by scanning this QR code.

The website includes this information booklet in Welsh and English and further visuals of the Cymmer Carriageway Realignment Scheme.

Alternatively, you can email your feedback to cymmercr@wsp.com.

Any personal data received as part of the consultation will be stored and protected as per relevant data protection requirements as set out in the General Data Protection Regulation. No personal details will be used or published in any materials, though feedback received will be analysed and reported on in a Consultation Feedback Report.



Public events

We are holding three public drop-in events to help people understand and comment on our proposals. At our drop-in events you can view our proposals and speak to our team who will be on hand to answer any queries you may have.

Event venue	Date and Time
Cymmer Methodist Church , Brytwn Road, Cymmer, Port Talbot, SA13 3EN	Monday 1 June (10 am to 5 pm)
Croeserw Community Enterprise Centre , Bryn Siriol Road, Cymmer, Port Talbot, SA13 3PL	Thursday 4 June (1pm to 8 pm)
The Refreshment Rooms , The Old Station, Cymmer, Port Talbot, SA13 3HY	Saturday 6 June (10 am to 1pm)

HOW YOU CAN GET IN TOUCH

If you would like more information about our proposals or require alternative formats for documents (e.g. in Braille or other languages), you can contact us directly.



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