



## City and County of Swansea

### Notice of Meeting

You are invited to attend a Meeting of the

## Economy & Infrastructure Policy Development Committee

**At:** Committee Room 5, Guildhall, Swansea

**On:** Thursday, 17 October 2019

**Time:** 2.00 pm

**Chair:** Councillor Mandy Evans

**Membership:**

Councillors: J E Burtonshaw, P Downing, P R Hood-Williams, P K Jones, M A Langstone, W G Lewis, P Lloyd, P M Matthews and T M White

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### Agenda

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<b>1 Apologies for Absence.</b>	
<b>2 Disclosures of Personal &amp; Prejudicial Interests.</b> <a href="http://www.swansea.gov.uk/disclosureofinterests">www.swansea.gov.uk/disclosureofinterests</a>	
<b>3 Minutes.</b> To approve and sign the Minutes of the previous meeting(s) as a correct record.	1 - 3
<b>4 Swansea's Economy (Tourism).</b>	
<b>5 Active Travel Improvements.</b>	4 - 22
<b>6 Workplan 2019/2020.</b>	23 - 24

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, 14 November 2019 at 2.00 pm

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Huw Evans'.

**Huw Evans**  
Head of Democratic Services  
Thursday, 10 October 2019

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# Agenda Item 3



City and County of Swansea

## Minutes of the **Economy & Infrastructure Policy Development Committee**

Committee Room 5, Guildhall, Swansea

Thursday, 19 September 2019 at 2.00 pm

### Present:

#### Councillor(s)

J E Burtonshaw  
P Lloyd

#### Councillor(s)

P R Hood-Williams  
T M White

#### Councillor(s)

P K Jones

#### Officer(s)

Craig Davies  
Penny Gruffydd  
Martin Nicholls  
Samantha Woon

Lawyer  
Sustainable Development Officer  
Director of Place  
Democratic Services Officer

### Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): V M Evans, M A Langstone, W G Lewis and P M Matthews

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#### 14 Election of Chair Pro Tem.

**Resolved** that Councillor P Lloyd be elected as Chair Pro Tem.

**Councillor P Lloyd (Chair Pro Tem) presided**

#### 15 Disclosures of Personal & Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

#### 16 Minutes.

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the Economy and Infrastructure Policy Development Committee held on 18 July, 2019, be approved as a correct record.

#### 17 Green Infrastructure Strategy.

The Sustainable Policy Officer provided a presentation on Building a Better Swansea, Greening Swansea City.

The presentation detailed:

- Developing the Draft Green Infrastructure Strategy

- National Policy Legislation
- Strategy Contents
- The Vision
- 6 Over Arching Strategic Objectives
- Achieving the Objectives
- Green Space Factor (Urban Greening Factor)
- Green Space Factor – How it Works
- Next Steps

Members' discussions included the need to achieve support from other public sector organisations, partners and developers (NRW/BIDS) and involving 'friends of' groups.

Members congratulated officers on their comprehensive report.

**Resolved** that the report proceed to through the decision making process and the Chair reports Cabinet Members views to Committee Members.

**18 River Corridor Draft Strategy.**

The Director of Place referred to the draft masterplan and encouraged members to view the literature following the meeting.

Members' noted that challenges existed in developing the business case in respect of the skyline project and the timescale for delivery could be between 5 and 10 years.

**Resolved** that the update be noted.

**19 Workplan 2019/2020.**

The Chair referred to the work plan.

**Resolved** that the work plan for 2019/2020 comprise the following:

17 October 2019	1) Swansea's Economy (Tourism). 2) Transportation Strategy (Active Travel).
14 November 2019	1) Swansea Economy (Implications of Brexit). 2) High Street Empty Properties.
19 December 2019	
16 January 2020	
20 February 2020	
19 March 2020	

Minutes of the Economy & Infrastructure Policy Development Committee (19.09.2019)  
Cont'd

16 April 2020	
To be Scheduled	1) Homes as Power Stations – Site Visit to Neath Port Talbot. 2) Public Toilets – Work Shop.

The meeting ended at 2.57 pm

**Chair**

# ACTIVE TRAVEL IMPROVEMENTS

CYCLING STRATEGY & SCHEME DEVELOPMENT | JULY 2019

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Agenda Item 5



Cyngor **Abertaw**  
**Swansea** Council



No. of households  
without access to car  
or van

**27.5%**



Proportion of 20 to 29  
year olds without a  
driving license

**37%**



Increase in cycling since  
2014

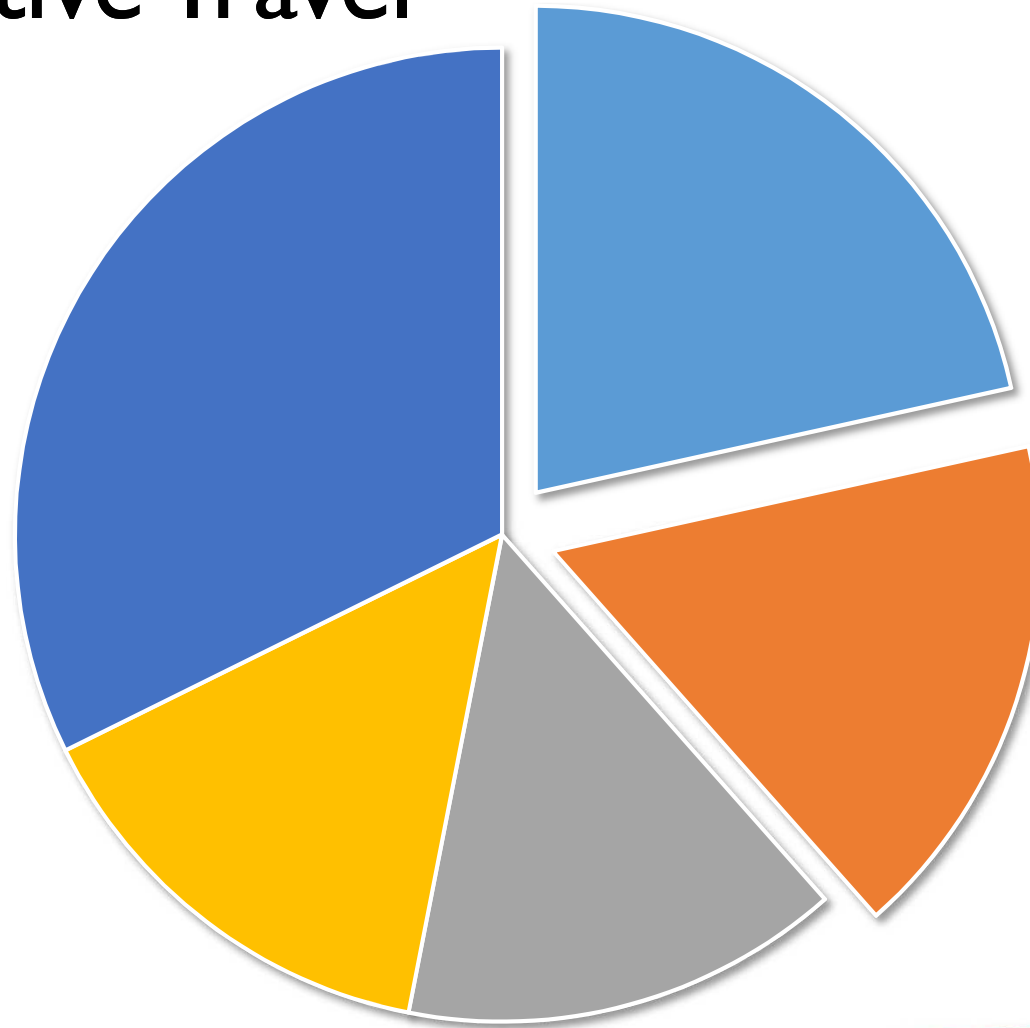
**45%\***

\*Swansea mean average  
across 21 fixed counters



# Barriers to Active Travel

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- Traffic & Perception of Danger
- Lack of Dedicated Cycle Infrastructure
- Inconsiderate Car Drivers
- Weather & Topography
- No Access to a Bicycle



Cyngor **Abertawe**  
**Swansea** Council

# ACTIVE TRAVEL (WALES)

**ACT** To plan for the next 15 years  
**ACT** To map the existing routes  
**ACT** To make continuous improvement





**Prof. Stuart Cole – Ministerial Transport Advisor**

*“Wales’ Active Travel spending [has been] £5 per head per annum... Wales needs to increase to £20 per head if we aspire to Netherlands level of active travel.”*

| July 2015



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**Lee Waters AM – Deputy Cabinet Secretary for Economy & Infrastructure**

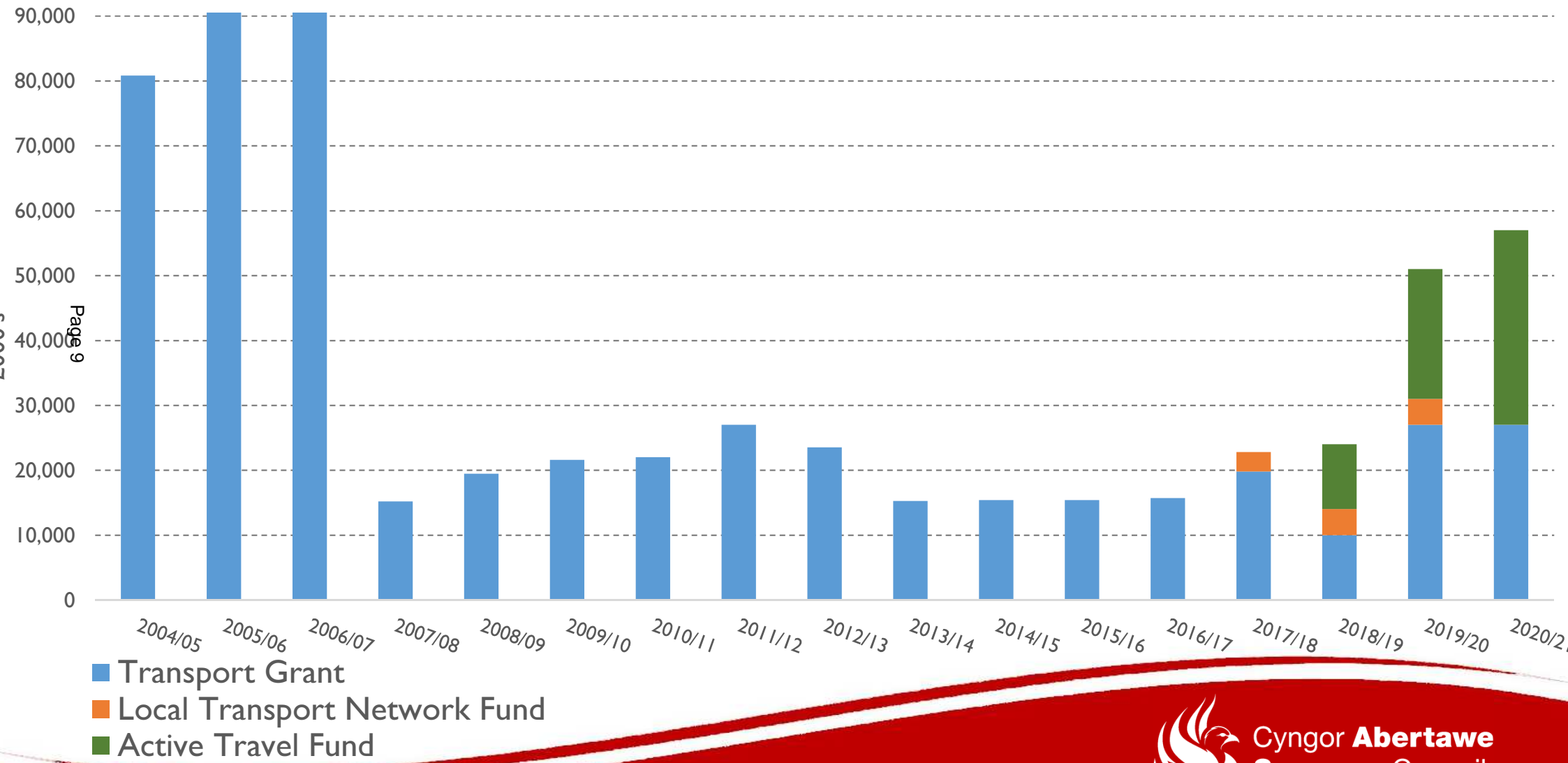
*“It’s essential that, for the next two years, we have schemes that show what difference looks like, so I will not be rewarding a lack of ambition.”*

| March 2019



Cyngor **Abertawe**  
**Swansea** Council

# Welsh Government Transport Capital Funds



# COMPETING PRESSURES



Manifesto Commitments

Active Travel (Wales) Act

Wellbeing of Fut. Gen. Act

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Funding

Ministerial Approval

Decarbonisation

## Loss of Parking

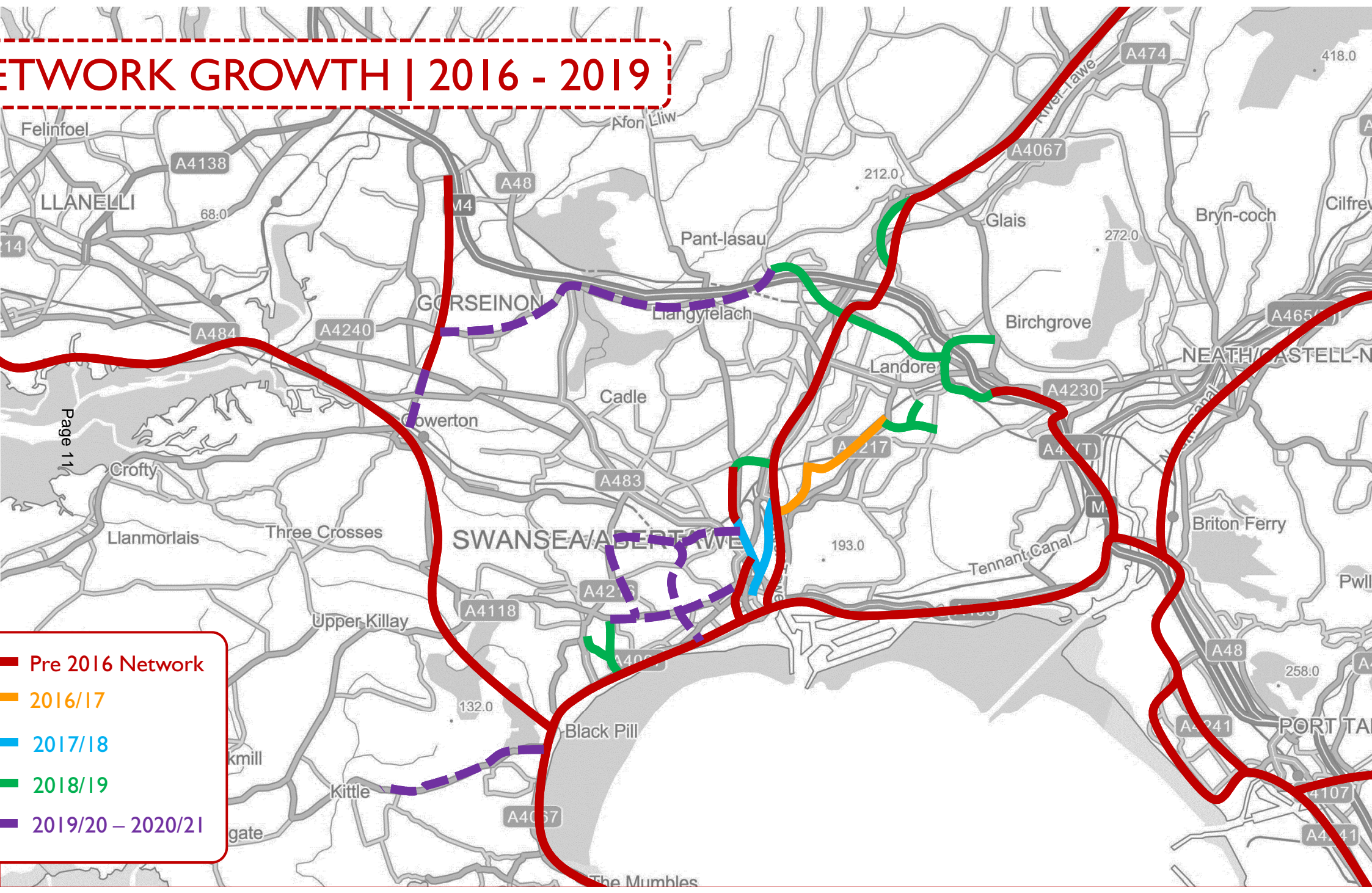
Lower Vehicle Speeds

Loss of Road Capacity



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# NETWORK GROWTH | 2016 - 2019



- Pre 2016 Network
- 2016/17
- 2017/18
- 2018/19
- 2019/20 - 2020/21

# WALTER ROAD



# LOCAL CONTEXT

Arterial Road Network

Existing Cycle Network



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# WALTER ROAD

vehicle movements (AADT)	15,455
average speed	24MPH
DAILY Cyclists	200
Parking utilisation	61.9%

City Centre

# Walter Road

## Existing Street Layout





# Walter Road

## Proposed Street Layout

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# Preliminary Public Consultations



220 Leaflets Delivered  
14 responses (6.4%)

57% support for cycle lanes on Walter Road

Loss of car parking was the main point of  
opposition

# AMBITIOUS ENOUGH?

Senghenydd Road, Cardiff



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Westgate Road, Newcastle upon Tyne



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# Next Steps?



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Cyngor **Abertaw**  
**Swansea** Council



## Economy & Infrastructure PDC – 17 October 2019 Work Plan 2019-20

Meeting Date	Agenda items and Format
20 June 2019	Work Plan Discussion. <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) River Corridor Draft Strategy.</li><li>2) Transportation Strategy (including City Centre Parking).</li><li>3) Homes as Power Stations.</li><li>4) Green Infrastructure Strategy (economic implications).</li><li>5) Swansea's Economy.</li><li>6) Public Toilets (predominately in the City Centre).</li><li>7) High Street.</li></ol>
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