

Neath Port Talbot Local Development Plan Examination

Matter 10: Culture & Heritage

21 April 2015 (Hearing Session 16)

Action Points:

1. The Council to consider amending Policy SP21: Built Environment and Historic Heritage and reasoned justification to as follows:
 - Criterion 4 – add '*Where appropriate enhancement*' after protection.
 - Criterion 4 – add listed buildings and their curtilage, and
 - Amend reasoned justification to include a reference to Conservation Area Appraisals and explain their role / weight in decision making.
2. The Council to seek clarification on the 10 obstructions to the canal network mentioned by Gareth Hughes of the Neath & Tennant Canal Trust, and provide a brief position statement and location plan outlining the nature, significance and location of each obstruction.
3. Margaret Gwalter of the Inland Waterways Association to submit to the Programme Officer a copy of the feasibility study for the restoration of the AS(A)9 section of canal.
4. Gareth Hughes of the Neath & Tennant Canal Trust to forward details of the 'Hyder Report' to the Council. If it is publically available it will be added to the examination library.
5. The Council, in agreement with Jane Hennell and Gareth Hughes, will provide amended wording for Policy BE3 (2) and the reasoned justification of the policy which outlines support for the provision of an integrated canal network in NPT. In the event that all parties are unable to reach agreement on the proposed amendments, a joint submission should be made stating the preferred wording of each party. The action point is to be completed by Monday 11 May 2015.

NB: Jane Hennell is acting for the Canal & River Trust and Swansea Canal Society, and will liaise with other participants before contacting the Council. Gareth Hughes will represent the Neath & Tennant Canal Trust.