

Conwy CBC Response

From: Traffic Regulation formal consultations

Sent: 13 April 2026 12:10

To: Kath Evans

Subject: Towyn & Kinmel Bay – Prohibition & Restriction Waiting Order 2026

Good morning

In explanation of the reasoning behind the proposals at Sandbank Road, Gaingc Road and Maes y Llan, the current parking restrictions are seasonal and we were asked by North Wales Police to consider making the parking restriction full time because parking there *at any time of year* could cause obstruction. North Wales Police had requested a site meeting with officers following complaints made to them from residents regarding parking issues.

In addition to the Police request, it's notable that the existing road markings reflect a *full time* restriction (double yellow lines). Regulations have changed about the type of road markings allowed to denote a seasonal regulation, and seasonal restrictions must now be marked with a single yellow line. If we do NOT change the restriction type to full-time then a cost will be incurred to burn off the additional road markings.

Double yellow line road markings are generally well observed and easily understood by the general public and the road *appears* in that way now and so, the road sections are rarely parked up (even out of season). The proposals advertised in this order will incur the least cost to the tax payer, avoid damage to the surface of the highway (if we need to burn-off markings) and they address North Wales Police's request.

The proposals advertised are to make changes to a Traffic Regulation Order and do not (and are not required to) present a range of options.

Any unwithdrawn objection to the proposals will be reported for full consideration in the process of obtaining a final decision on the matter.

I hope this helps explain our current position.

Normally I would be required to ask you whether you would be prepared to withdraw your objection, however I note that the Town Council have not stated that they object to the proposals. Your previous email states that the Town Council wish to retain the seasonal restriction, so it may be inferred, but the legal process requires clarity on this point.

Therefore, I should be grateful if the Town Council would consider the explanation of why this proposal has been advertised and the material effect of making, or not making, this traffic regulation order.

I should be grateful if, subsequently, you can confirm if the Town Council want to formally object.

If there is further information you would like on this matter, please contact us.

Regards

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From: Kath Evans <deputy@towynkinmelbay-tc.gov.uk>
Sent: 20 March 2026 13:21
To: Traffic Regulation formal consultations <tro@conwy.gov.uk>
Subject: Towyn & Kinnel Bay – Prohibition & Restriction Waiting Order 2026

Good afternoon,

At our Full Town Council meeting held on the 18/03/2026, the Members of the Town Council asked that I write to Conwy CBC to seek some clarification regarding the proposal to introduce year-round No Waiting parking restrictions on Gaingc Road, Sandbank Road and Maes y Llan in Towyn.

The Members would welcome a better understanding of the reasoning behind this proposal. It was noted that the only option presented within the consultation was for year-round restrictions, and did not include the Town Council's preferred option of retaining the current seasonal arrangements which was reported to you. The reasons the Town Council wishes to retain the current seasonal arrangements are as follows:

- Traffic is minimal out of the holiday season.
- Local businesses remain open throughout the winter, allowing people to stop and shop, which helps maintain employment such as the bakery, Popalulas store, and the hairdresser, among others.
- There is no recorded history of incidents or accidents in the area.

From the Town Council's perspective, the absence of this option makes difficult for residents and stakeholders to express a view on what is currently a well-supported approach . Members feel it would have been helpful for this to have been included as part of a balanced set of options.

We would therefore be grateful if you could provide some clarification on the rationale for the proposal, and the approach taken within the consultation process.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance, and we look forward to your response.

Kind regards

Kath

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