

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

**REQUEST FOR THE USE OF EMERGENCY POWERS –
CORONAVIUS PANDEMIC**

SUBJECT: Footpath 73 Porthkerry

1. **Originating / Department / Service –**

Regeneration & Planning

2. **Reason for Seeking Emergency Powers –**

PLEASE SPECIFY BELOW ~~and attach appropriate Committee report /
minute/ memo~~ ~~*(delete as appropriate)~~

On 15th May emergency powers were signed to reverse the previously agreed temporary closure of a number of footpaths at Atlantic College, Cosmeston, Dunraven Bay, Ogmore by Sea, and Porthkerry.

The routes were to be reopened to allow members of the public to exercise only and all signage regarding the closures and references on the Council's Web site were to be removed by Saturday 16th May 2020.

Public Footpath 73, Barry which provides access to Porthkerry Park was however unable to be opened by Vale Staff and remained obstructed by the affected landowner. The landowners were contacted by the Council advising that enforcement would be considered and it was represented by them, in response, that specific health vulnerabilities existed to justify continued closure.

The landowners representations have been considered in the light of advice from the Council's legal department and it is now recommended that closure of the path be reinstated. This should be subject to periodic review that we propose will be undertaken in line the release of updated advice for people that are shielding, the next revision of which is expected 16th June.

3. **Policy Framework and Budget –**

PLEASE INDICATE as appropriate that the matter that you are seeking the use of Emergency Powers for is a Cabinet or Council function.

Cabinet

Council

4. **Relevant Scrutiny Committee –**

Environment and Regeneration

IMPORTANT

The following sections **must** be completed **prior** to the request being submitted to the Democratic and Scrutiny Services Section for processing.

I confirm (delete as appropriate)

(a) That there are no financial implications and the relevant Cabinet Member, Leader and / or the Deputy Leader has been consulted and is in agreement with the use of Emergency Powers; ~~or~~

~~(b) That, in view of the financial commitments, the Head of Financial Services, the appropriate Chief Officer, the relevant Cabinet Member, Leader and / or Deputy Leader have been consulted and are in agreement with the use of the Emergency Powers and that~~

~~(c) For matters relating to the Planning Committee the Chairman of the Planning Committee has also been consulted and is in agreement with the use of Emergency Powers;~~

~~(d) For matters relating to the Licensing Committee the Chairman of the Licensing Committee has also been consulted and is in agreement with the use of Emergency Powers.~~

~~(e) For matters relating to the Welsh Church Act Estate Committee the Chairman of the Welsh Church Act Estate Committee has also been consulted and is in agreement with the use of Emergency Powers.~~

~~(f) For matters relating to policy the relevant Scrutiny Committee Chairman has been consulted and is in agreement with the use of Emergency Powers.~~

Signed: ..M. Goldsworthy.....
(Instructing Chief Officer)

Date:8 June 2020.....

Please print name:Marcus Goldsworthy.....

I hereby approve under my Emergency Powers the attached recommendation(s) on behalf of the Cabinet / Council (please delete as appropriate).

Signed: .D.R. Thomas.....
Managing Director

Date: 12 June 2020....

NB Should the relevant portfolio Cabinet Member be unable to be consulted only the Leader and / or Deputy Leader be consulted in their absence.

N.B. Cabinet: 23rd March, 2020 Minute No. 295