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Welsh Government

Planning Division
Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council
Unit 5
Triangle Business Park
Pentrebach
Merthyr Tydfil

Eich cyf / Your ref P/25/0265

Ein cyf / Our ref 25/SW-7703

28 October 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (WALES)
ORDER 2012:**

**Land To The North Of The Heads Of The Valleys Road Off Rhymney Common Road Dowlais
Demolition of existing buildings and development of a restaurant with drive-thru facility (Use
Class A3) including access and cycle path, servicing, car parking, hard and soft landscaping,
advertisements and other associated works**

I refer to your consultation of 13th October 2025 regarding the above application, and advise that the Welsh Government as highway authority for the A465 trunk road directs that planning permission is not granted at this time as the applicant has provided insufficient information to determine the application.

The applicant must provide the following information to support this application or resubmit the application with the following details;

- 1) There is insufficient information on the preliminary lighting submission to be able to assess what impact this development will have on the strategic road network.

The lighting designer must assess and ensure any light source from the development, does not have an adverse impact on the Strategic road network. Luminance levels shall align with the current edition of "Guidance note for the reduction of obtrusive light" from the Institution of Lighting Professionals.

The applicant shall also consider the environmental requirements of the lighting of the Dark Skies and Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon) National Park as appropriate.



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- 2) The existing drainage system is to undergo re-modelling of the regime that this development will bring about. It is assumed from the information provided that it will be limited to the service road and have minimal impact on the trunk road. If the proposals detailed by the applicant in the associated drawings and documents are implemented there should not be an issue with the drainage. If the proposals are revised then this will need to be reassessed by the Welsh Government.
- 3) No drainage from the development site shall be connected to or allowed to discharge into the trunk road drainage system

If you have any further queries, please forward to the following Welsh Government Mailbox
Lgc_development_control-south@Gov.Wales

Yours faithfully

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