

County Councillor Report for August 2016

Radyr Weir; I have had various comments now that this is open and I set out the current state of play: it is agreed that waste bins are necessary and they have been ordered and will be installed around late September; the screws have been operating intermittently due to low water flow; I have requested a guard on the outlet of the screws to protect the “brave” youngsters who swim close to them and I have a copy of the recent risk assessment- the manufacturer points out that a guard acts as a filter for detritus and vegetation passing through the screws and this causes a breakdown ; the design of a guard system is being discussed. Danger signs will be erected.

Speed disclosing sign; the sign at Min y Coed does slow traffic and I have seen several cars brake in response to it but it is still not working properly due to the canopy of vegetation; I have suggested a small modification but if that is unsuccessful the sign will require to be relocated to the other pavement where it will not be so effective.

Relining main sewer in Station Road; this is likely to be done in mid-September but I do not know yet the exact Sunday; I have a map and description of the proposed diversion but await clarification of the access arrangements for Cwrt Bryn Teg and the houses on lower Station Road. When all is clear, I will post this in my September newsletter and/ or, if that would be too late, on the local web site

Litter bins; in the hope that it will reduce the problem of litter, I have requested relocation or installation of several litter bins and most requests have already been implemented or agreed. I have obtained agreement that those on Station Road will be emptied more regularly and one of these visits will be each Friday as I noticed that the bins were often so full that litter was accruing around them.

Weed control; the second spraying of pavements will occur soon and the contractor has been asked to re-visit areas where the first treatment was unsuccessful (or absent)

RS McColl; at the suggestion of a local resident I have asked that they install a self-opening door to assist customers and this is under consideration.

Highway patching; The pavement of upper Drysgol Road will be resurfaced soon but please note that this is a similar repair to that done in the centre of the village which attracted applause and criticism in equal measure. Significant patching will be done on the highways of Windsor Road, Bryn Derwen and Drysgol Road; I am aware that resurfacing rather than patching is required but that was not an available option.

Redevelopment of Nat West Bank; the plans were agreed; I regret that the regime for loading and unloading as suggested by me and RMA and R+MCC was not imposed.

Motor Bike nuisance; the off road team is now employing a drone as an additional resource to catch offenders and several bikes have been confiscated.

Waterstone landscaping in Radyr Gardens; I am liaising with the enforcement team to attempt to get this brought to the agreed standard.

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