

County Councillor Report for March 2018

Heol Isaf/ Llantrisant Road; at the recent Pact meeting, the police agreed an additional means of prosecuting HGV offenders and they are taking advice on how to implement this. The local concerns have been put strongly to the developers and Cardiff Council. I have a meeting next week with senior highways officers to urge proper coordination of the two separate schemes to locate sewers on Llantrisant Road/ Clos Parc Radur.

Shepley Court/ Heol Isaf homes without sewer connection; the work, to run a sewer from the new developments to a connection point past Westward Ho, creates a possible opportunity for these houses to get connection to a main sewer. I will send a letter to these residents explaining how to explore this

Welsh Water; following recent cold weather some burst main pipes have fractured causing short-term disruption to traffic.

Waste collections; these continue to be erratic and further problems were caused by the snow. Normally these issues are resolved when I report them.

Highway matters; Night-time working at Coryton will cause a diversion from A470. Give Way sign is installed on Drysgol Road. Potholes are abundant and I have reported many. Alleys with gates on Castle View Estate are having gates removed to assist passage of prams and wheelchairs and some additional drop kerbs are planned.

Springfield Gardens planning application; The application was rejected by five votes to four after a fierce debate, marred by over-vigorous chairing. This was a triumph for the local residents who pooled their intellectual and financial resources to fight together for this outcome. I hope that the respite is permanent but we need to be prepared for all eventualities.

School admissions policy; full copies of new scheme are available from School Admissions; I can send an abridged version on request.

Street Lighting; as advised last month, work is underway to convert current lamps to LED. I reported local comments about low level of illumination from Heol Isaf lights and the level has been increased by 30%

Destroyed hedgerows; many residents have asked why I did not oppose the destruction of so many ancient hedgerows. I (supported by the Community Council and North West Cardiff Group) did oppose this at LDP consultation stage, at Inspectors' Hearings and in Cardiff Council. The reality is that the ruling group in Cardiff Council and the (same) ruling group in the Welsh Assembly both wanted the LDP to go through with minimal changes; they achieved what they wanted, **despite** vigorous opposition, and that is how a democracy functions

Morganstown Village Hall Sign; I have asked for replacement of the missing sign

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