

County Councillor Report for March 2015

Local Development Plan; we are now awaiting Cardiff Council response to the numerous action points agreed with Inspector: many of these arose from submissions made by members of our NW Cardiff Group. When the responses are available further meetings will be arranged.

Radyr Library; we have won a reprieve but now await the strategy document which will bring this topic back to cabinet

Radyr Youth Centre: it is not clear how the approved budget will affect the youth centre but the prognosis does not look good. I have requested clarification of available options.

Cardiff Bus; with local residents from Castle View and Morganstown we had a site meeting with the operations director of Cardiff Bus. Our points were made strongly but Mr Heath insisted that the changes arose from low level of use by Morganstown residents and he would not make any changes which might reduce current usage of the bus service as this might result in further cuts. I will raise this again in a few months.

Cyd Cymru; I have made a further saving to my energy bills by using this scheme even though the initial saving last year was substantial; Residents who took up my suggestion also report good savings have been achieved.

Welsh Medium School: my request to alter catchment for Gwaelod Primary to include Radyr Pupils in addition to Morganstown ones was refused on the grounds that it is premature to make a further change. I will send the full text of the reply to anyone who requests it.

Highway issues; potholes and drainage issues continue to be a regular concern and they are being addressed more slowly than in the past.

Waungron Road; R+MCC will discuss the issue of conducting a community poll on this subject. While I sympathise with those suggesting it and I disagreed with the closure, I do not support a poll as it would be a large expense to be borne by the community council and the outcome would be "noted but ignored"

Gelynis Farm Footbridge; this is closed due to the unsafe condition of the decking and I will advise when I have a promised date for reopening

Pirates of Penzance: the Parish Music Group produced an outstanding version of this G+S Operetta and deserves both congratulations and thanks.

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