

County Councillor Report for September 2015

Local Development Plan: the Inspector has called 2 further meetings on 28th and 29th September and local views will be expressed by R+MCC and North West Cardiff Group.

Planning Application: the detailed application (14/02157) to build 630 homes on land north and south of Llantrisant Road has now been submitted; I have already made a number of objections as have many local residents and organisations. As yet it is not decided when it will go to planning committee. The detailed plan shows some changes from the outline; some of these are favourable such as slightly reduced housing density where it was clearly excessive and better protection to The Thatch a Grade2 listed building; others are adverse with some houses accessing onto Heol Isaf directly. The application is lengthy with about 250 documents and I can assist minded residents to plough through it.

Refuse issues: I am receiving many concerns about the new waste strategy and Connect to Cardiff is also very busy with this; aside from matters relating to change-over of bins the main local concerns are the perceived inadequate volume of the new black bin and the lack of a HWRC (tip) in the north of the city. I have raised these concerns at Environment Scrutiny, in Council and directly with the Cabinet Member; I am not optimistic about any change though the closure of Wedal Road has been deferred as a result of a call-in by the Environment Committee

Radyr Comp: the GCSE results were outstanding as were the previously announced A-level results; congratulations to the pupils and the school

Youth Centre: it has not been possible to find a means of maintaining the youth centre at Radyr Comp but the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme will continue.

Rubbish matters: Cardiff Rivers Group pulled a vast quantity of a variety of rubbish from the weir and Melin Griffith feeder; members of the Women's Institute and friends did a litter pick at various parts of the village. Well Done and Thank You

Footpath 41: a local resident pointed out that this is partially blocked and I have asked council officers to have this remedied, especially as it runs through the centre of the proposed development set out above.

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