

County Councillor Report for November 2020

Highway matters: Three new tabled crossings are in place as is a great deal of signage about 20mph limit; final matters follow including gateway measures, repainting existing zebra crossings and reconfiguring speed disclosing signs. The new junction at southern end of Heol Isaf is operating; closure of Golf Club Lane is imminent.

HGV control: The traffic order for the new HGV restriction on Ty Nant Road has been approved by SWP and is now sealed. Site notices are due to be placed in the area shortly. After some intermediate steps, I hope that enforcement will go live within about 3 months.

Boundary Commission: Radyr and Morganstown is under-represented with one County Councillor for 5300 electors; it is agreed that we will have two councillors with effect from the next council election; I can assure residents that this increment is justified and overdue.

Review of Local Development Plan: At November Council it was decided that a full review of the LDP is necessary and it will begin next year. I will send the outline case and methodology to anyone requesting this.

Refuse collection: From a date in February 2021, refuse collections will only occur between 6am and 3.45 pm on Tuesday to Friday; R+M collections will be on Tuesday. Garden waste collections will resume in March and there will be a one-off collection in early January aimed at Christmas tree collection, though other garden waste will be collected. Residents who have assisted lifts will be asked to confirm if they have an ongoing need for this service.

Sidings litter bins: Residents point out that these bins are choked with uncollected dog waste. The public open space is not adopted yet and emptying the bins is the responsibility of Taylor Wimpey. I spoke with the site manager who advised of his problem in finding a contractor to handle this waste. I put him in contact with Cardiff Council officers who can provide this service on a commercial basis.

Electoral Register: Residents received a letter advising of the need to check the register for their home. Please check that you have replied.

Resident Survey: Residents may give their views on the provision of council services by participation in the current survey

Footpath refurbishment: The path from Parc Radur to Heol Isaf near Radyr Comp has been resurfaced

Radyr Comp Traffic: I have asked for proper consideration of traffic in the area of Radyr Comp, especially Woodfield Avenue, at the beginning and end of the school day. PC Helen Abdullahi, who took a keen interest in this area, has been moved to another beat.

Mound Field: Residents will know of issues arising from the electrification of the Valleys railway line and I am working with the community council on this. While there are possible local benefits, there is also the risk of significant detriments, which we will seek to control, initially through the planning process. This entails consulting those affected and trawling for information about the exact plans of TfW.

Lord Mayor: Earlier this week I was installed as Lord Mayor of the City and County of Cardiff with the expectation that I will continue in this post until May 2022. In the various messages of support, some residents hoped that this elevation would not have an adverse effect on what they described as my normal superb standard of support for local people. I have wound back my involvement in the

community council and I have resigned from the four council committees of which I was a member; I hope that this has freed enough time for normal service to continue. I have appointed Alzheimer's Society Cymru as my Lord Mayor's Charity for my time in office. This is a charity for which Sue and I feel great affinity and I know that many local residents feel the same way

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