

County Councillor Report for January 2019

Highway Issues: With Community Councillors, I will shortly meet senior officers of Cardiff Council Highways Dept. to agree a timetable for the first phase of enhanced highway safety measures. After discussion at community council and, informed by the deliberations of the task and finish group, we have made a number of recommendations for this phase. These were advertised for the information of residents. Much will remain outstanding for future phases as we seek to enhance safety throughout Radyr and Morganstown. The 40mph zone on Tynant Road, north of Pugh's, will be changed to 30mph.

Road Repairs: I pointed out, yet again, that Windsor Road is falling apart and a recent epidemic of potholes in this road emphasised this point; the matter is now "under consideration". The pavement on the west side of Heol Isaf between the 2 entrances to Cheshire Home will be resurfaced in the next 2 months.

Pact: the next meeting is on Tuesday 22nd January at 7pm in OCR. Several break-ins have been reported.

Waste Management: the next collection of green bins will be on Monday 28th January; natural Xmas trees may be included or left out alongside the green bin.

Sidings planning issue: I received several complaints about the hoarding round the proposed new flats; this the reply: "I understand the concerns of residents; however, the Permitted Development Order (which is Welsh Government legislation) allows moveable structures, such as hoardings, to be erected without the need for formal permission from the council. The relevant part of the legislation is the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 Schedule 2 Part 4. Therefore the hoardings are lawful, in planning terms.

It must also be noted that the roads are not adopted, as yet, and therefore the Council, acting as the highways authority, does not have any control over the siting of the hoardings. I have visited the site before Christmas and the roads around the site are unobstructed, and this is confirmed in the photos that you have sent. Therefore, at this stage, the Council cannot take any action in relation to the hoardings."

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