

County Councillor Report for April 2019

New School to serve Plasdwr: Consultation will begin in June 2019 to be completed in time for the school to open in September 2021. It is envisaged that this will be a 2-form of entry with an English medium plus a Welsh medium stream. I have the lengthy details but the details will be published as part of the consultation. I will urge concerned residents to read the papers, attend any consultation meetings and submit responses.

Caer Graig: The Pavement outside Bryn Deri will be resurfaced and this should be complete before school re-opens.

Cardiff Rivers Group: this group does fine work in cleaning riverbanks and beds; it will be working in Radyr area on 16th April; I have gone out with them and I encourage interested residents to sign up, Safety gear is provided and a safe working environment is created. This complements the great work done by local litter pickers.

Brexit Emergency Planning: Councillors and Council officers have met to produce contingency plans and this work is continuing.

Orange stickers on refuse bins: these stickers are still necessary despite IT available in the cab to avoid missed collections; there has been a number of missed collections, which I have reported for remedial action. These are not confined to orange sticker users.

Clean Air Public Meetings : bulletins and public meetings on this important topic are available; I will send the recent bulletin on request.

Boundary Review; Radyr and Morganstown has a very large number of electors for a single member ward; indeed only one single member ward in Wales has more electors. Consultation will probably mean that R+M will have unchanged boundaries and two County Councillors. I will be supporting this proposal even though I may appear to discharge my many functions with effortless ease.

Abandoned White Van: I receive many requests to have this moved but it is taxed and insured.

Fisher Hill Play Area; this will be partially renovated soon using Council resources but further work will be done using S106 cash when it is paid. This s106 money is not coming from the Drysgol Heights redevelopment; inexplicably it was accepted that this large development would not be "viable" if it made the assessed contribution.

Parc Radur Play area: this awaits work to redirect surface floodwater. We will meet soon to advance this.

Bethel Chapel: At the request of R+MCC and me, planning enforcement have contacted the owner about the building project and leaning gravestones.

Dog fouling and misbehaviour: The introduction of a Public Space Protection Order for Dog Controls under Section 59 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 be approved to include: various controls is under consultation.

Ultimate Delivery; the match ball for the Cricket match between NZ and Sri Lanka will be passed through many hands on 31st May in an attempt on the world record; schools and clubs are urged to participate.

County Councillor Rod McKerlich, 15th April 2019