



GRAIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Clerk's Report

31st March 2021

Additional information regarding the agenda for the meeting being held on Wednesday 31st March 2021 via a Zoom virtual meeting (**Item No 4 on the agenda**)

This report lists items which remain issues that are being monitored and progressed when possible. Items will only be removed once resolved. Any updates during the month will be detailed below the list.

1. Additional lighting on Laurel Road (Jan '14)
2. Dirty Highway Signage (Oct '16)
3. St Basil's Roundabout bollards repair (Feb '17)
4. Pentrepoeth Road issues (Oct '16)
5. Section 106 funding (Jul '17)
6. Maintenance at Grosvenor Road underpass (Oct '18)
7. Bassaleg Roundabout maintenance (Oct '19)
8. Overgrowth opposite Garth Terrace, Bassaleg (Nov '19)
9. Overgrowth of residential boundary hedge alongside steps and footpath from Penylan Close to Caerphilly Rd Bassaleg.
10. Bassaleg School proposed expansion

Current Month updates:

Item 5, considering the news of Bassaleg School's proposed expansion, Council to decide if this item should remain on the list.

Item 6, NCC have not replaced the flagstones as hoped. The Clerk inspected the area and did highlight to NCC that replacing the flagstones is not just for cosmetic reasons, that it would help keep the wall in good condition and deter water ingress. This has not been taken up to date. Council to decide if this item should remain on the list.

Item 7, as the scheme has moved on, Council to decide if this item should be removed.

Item 8, This has been reported again to NCC. The list of outstanding issues to be addressed by NCC has been forwarded to officers with an invitation to discuss in a virtual meeting with NCC Officers and representatives from Council.

Item 9. This issue has been addressed and will be removed from the next Clerk's Report.

Item 10. Council has commented on the latest consultation to the statutory notice for the school expansion, reiterating all its former comments to the Pre-Application consultation, stating it felt that most of its concerns had not been addressed.

Other Issues dealt with this month:

Objections were lodged with NCC following many complains from local residents to the size of the new mast and associated boxes for the phone mast on Caerphilly Rd in Rhiwderin. NCC have responded saying that the mast is within the regulatory height. There is an element of permitted development with this renewal which allows for the new mast to be set higher than the previous mast. NCC have checked the height and are content it is within the parameters allowed.

NCC has been consulted when a query was received from a local resident about a business being started from home which would see clients attending the address in a small residential street. Advice from NCC is that some small businesses would be allowed to work from home, but investigations would need to be

carried out to determine if this business is admissible under the circumstances. The Clerk has contacted the enquirer to offer advice and at this time no action is being taken. The situation will be monitored and dealt with if issues arise.

There have been issues with trees being felled on land at Station Approach in Bassaleg. The work has been checked by NCC and it confirmed the work was carried out within the permissions sought. It was discovered Ash die-back was affecting some trees. Residents had concerns regarding health and safety on the site, and that some extra trees were being felled without permission. It was also believed access to the site was not only via the Station Approach but also via Church Crescent. This was denied. Work has now been completed.

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Please note: The contents of this report have been compiled by the Clerk and are subject to change as and when new information is received. This report has **not** been approved by the Community Council before publication as meeting minutes would be and is intended only as a useful tool to give information on the current status of ongoing issues to reduce time spent at meetings discussing updates unnecessarily.

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