



GRAIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Clerk's Report

27th November 2013

Additional information to the agenda for the meeting being held on Wednesday 27th November 2013 at 7pm at Graig Community Centre, Bassaleg

(Item No 4 on the agenda)

1. Play Areas – The funding application for Fort View has been unsuccessful. Council are looking at other options which includes looking for new funding streams and lobbying NCC for diverting Section 106 monies.

2. Adoption of Footpath Opposite Garth Terrace & Highfield Lane – Clerk working with NCC for formal adoption.

3. Bryn Hedydd and footpath from Bryn Hedydd to Caerphilly Close clean up – Due to confirmation that this area is unadopted, Clerk to investigate whether adoption can be achieved. Increased problems with dog fouling have been addressed by Cllr Cornelious. Dog fouling signs are present, and patrols are to take place by NCC wardens.

4. Grit bin on Caerphilly Road – City Cllr Cornelious has received confirmation that the replacement is listed with NCC to be changed in the autumn when the bins are filled ready for winter. This has not taken place yet so Clerk chased up and has been assured that the relevant department will be reminded. This item will remain on the report until the bin has been replaced. **It has been confirmed that the grit bin has at last been replaced. This item will now be removed from the report.**

5. Street Light opposite Garth Terrace – The light has been identified as one which is turned off at night. City Cllr Cornelious has been advised by NCC that there is no safety issue with this light being switched off at night. Council are unhappy that NCC consider this light is not a safety issue. City Cllr Williams is exploring on Council's behalf. An update has been requested.

6. Footpath from Penylan Close to Fort View Park – More trimming was necessary. The Clerk has asked the contractor to return and carry out more work. This has been delayed, but has now been followed up.

7. Footpath between Friendly Fox and Pentrepoeth School - Ongoing. The City Council have accepted responsibility for the path and steps have been taken to ensure the building site is temporarily cordoned off. Proper permanent measures have still not been taken. Council to keep a close eye on the issue. This will remain on the report until it is satisfactorily resolved. It has been noted that the developer has removed many of the trees and shrubs between the development and the footpath.

8. Orchard Close Trees - Letters to the residents have been sent. This item will be removed from future reports.

9. Planter at Lower Machen - Planter to be dismantled and the surrounding area made good. This will take place shortly, this item to be removed from future reports.

10. Request for bus stop at Viaduct Way - The request for a bus stop has been denied because it was thought that there is insufficient room to turn a bus and there is no space in the timetable to fit in the extra journey time. This item will be removed from future reports.

11. Pedestrian Underpass at Pentre Tai Road - NCC have now accepted ownership for the area and requested maintenance has been carried out. This item will be removed from future reports.

12. Footpaths in Bassaleg - NCC has responded to say that these paths are not adopted, but has referred the request on to the footpaths officer who should be able to carry out maintenance. A review of all footpaths in the area is being looked at presently for discussion with NCC. **NCC have confirmed that the raised footpath on Caerphilly Road has been cleared.**

13. Static Speed Camera on Caerphilly Road - Following responses regarding this issue, and of the safety issues in general along the stretch of road between Pentrepoeth Road in Bassaleg and Coc y North

Lane in Rhiwderin, an email has been compiled to NCC setting out all the issues and requesting consideration be given to finding solutions to make it safer such as traffic calming measures, barriers etc.. An initial response has been received saying this issue will be addressed in due course. Clerk is awaiting further communication.

14. Pothole in Penylan/The griffin - A request had been made to NCC for the repair of one of the speed humps on The Griffin close to the entrance into Bassaleg school. This has now been repaired so this item will be removed from future reports.

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