

GRAIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Clerk's Report

25th February 2015

Additional information to the agenda for the meeting being held on Wednesday 25th February 2015 at 7pm at Graig Community Centre, Bassaleg (Item No 4 on the agenda)

- **1. Play Areas** Following comments by residents and the Council, NCC have withdrawn the proposal of creating a play area on the junction of The Griffin and Caerphilly Road, and instead has opted to move it to the open space area close to Graig Community Hall. The other proposed areas are going to be developed, and NCC hopes to have all the new play facilities completed in time for the school summer break.
- **2.** Adoption of Footpath Opposite Garth Terrace & Highfield Lane The Clerk is in the process of finally completing the paperwork needed for petitioning NCC to adopt Highfield Lane. Following this, it is hoped that the footpath opposite Garth Terrace will also be adopted. Other non-adopted footpaths are being identified.
- **3. Dedicated Right Turn Into Laurel Drive** Following the recent planned survey, it has been confirmed that some action is required to improve traffic flow on this road, however, the NCC Officer in charge was not satisfied with the suggested solution arising from the survey of installing a mini roundabout. He hopes find a better solution and apply for WG funding to make improvements to this junction during the next financial year. This item will remain on the report and regular updates requested.
- **4. Forge Road Issues** The Clerk has written to the Contact Centre regarding the issue of cars continuing to park in the bus stop or on the verges either side of the bus stop at the top of Forge Lane. This practice is not only dangerous but is severely damaging the grass verges. Council has requested the assistance of the Streetscene Department to find a solution to this issue, and to find a way of encouraging motorists to utilise the lay by provided some 600 metres further along the road which is a much safer option. The Clerk has chased a response as none has been received to date.
- **5. Scrap Lorries Visiting Croescarneinon Farm** Following reports of scrap lorries seen regularly visiting the farm, Council requested that NCC investigate if some form of scrap business is being operated from the location.
- **6. Former Garthfield Cottage Site** Following the removal of trees and established hedgerow on the boundary of the first property and the public footpath to Pentrepoeth School, Council expressed their concerns regarding public safety as there is only some temporary plastic fencing preventing pedestrians falling down a steep drop from the footpath into the property. NCC have attended the site and agree that this is not acceptable. The issue is being dealt with by NCC.

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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 and reduce time spent at meetings discussing updates unnecessarily.

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