

Report from Creigiau Ward Surgery Held in the Church Hall in Creigiau on 16th September 2017

1. I spoke to 8 residents in all.
2. All residents were from Creigiau
3. Residents were updated on ongoing issues raised in August

Concerns of Residents

4. Traffic on Cardiff road. Ian Davies and Jen Macdonald raised specific concerns but this was a general point made by most residents. The problems reported were speeding through the village, particularly in the rush hour and inconsiderate parking, on pavements, particularly in the area outside of the Church Hall and at the junction of Tynant Rd and Cardiff Road. I have asked Ian and Jen to try to attend the next PACT meeting to help press this point.
5. Several residents asked why we could not have speed humps and a 20mph zone as in Pentyrch. They would welcome some enforcement action or as a minimum a visible police presence in the meantime. Residents feel a peak time survey of through traffic should be undertaken as they perceive a considerable increase through the village as the “rat run” becomes established.
6. The apparent naming of a proposed new development on the edge of the village as “The Parish” has angered the Church congregation. They point out that the development is already within a Parish. They would like us to challenge the developer over the insensitivity and Cardiff Council for allowing the name to be used.
7. The deterioration of the play park on the rec is a concern. I am assured that this park is a PCC responsibility. The park was apparently established by local fund raising efforts some years ago but the last surviving piece of equipment has now stopped working. Many other pieces of original equipment having already been removed. (I suggest reinstatement could be considered at the PCC budget meeting?)
8. The state of gutters and path edges was brought up, these are becoming increasingly weed infested. In years past there has been a weedkilling effort. There has apparently been nothing this year. Residents are aware that herbicide use may have been curtailed by Cardiff Council but are concerned that nothing has apparently replaced it.
9. Grass cutting was also raised. Residents were keen to point out that grass left on footpaths cause a slip hazard at this time of year as well as looking untidy.

Residents would like to see the grass cleared from paths after mowing activity.

10. Residents raised a similar concern about moss and algae accumulating on footpaths in the village rendering the paths slippery at this time of year and asked if measures could be taken to clear the paths.
11. Points 8, 9 and 10 taken together are making the village look increasingly unkempt in the view of residents.
12. Residents commented on the very late planting of the various planters around the village. The plants were consequently short lived and the planters are considered to be a mess. Residents would like to see PCC taking a lead on this planting in the future. The possibility of using the greenhouse at Penuel was mentioned for raising bedding plants to use in the planters.

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