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Subject: RE: Cabinet - 28th February 2022

Dear Neil,

I note that the suggested rural roads policy is on the Cabinet agenda for tomorrow .

Mike Clogg gave a most helpful explanation to the Environment and regeneration scrutiny committee of current policy but the question is what we can do to improve on this and to recognise that the challenges faced on the rural roads are different to those faced in the towns of the Vale.

I do hope that this is something that can be carried forward as the safety and maintenance of the roads in the rural vale is raised regularly in the Community Council meetings I attend in Peterston, Pendoylan, Welsh St Donat's , St Brides and St Georges.

In Peterston they are grateful for the action you took personally to introduce the 20 mph trial and hopefully in due course, this can be introduced in other areas. Reducing the speed of traffic should be a major contribution to safety in the lanes .

There are other issue that could be addressed - a review of signage (give way markings , weight limits, narrow road warnings etc.) and ways to make the roads safer for pedestrians walking within and between the villages . In Peterston for example we have families with young children living in Gwern-y -Steeple for whom a short walk to Peterston is fraught with danger. There are of course no pavements along the lanes but safety signs , lighting, traffic calming measures and possible pedestrian zones could address this.

Active travel schemes are being promoted elsewhere in the Vale and it would be good to see schemes in the more rural areas. I don't have the answers but it would be fair to put these questions out to the locals to see what improvements could be made. I would like to walk to the pub without fear of being run over.

I realise that as a Council we have a lot of business and more pressing matters to get through at the moment but would ask that the idea of a Rural Roads policy is kept on the back burner. I would like opportunity to canvas opinions locally and put together a more detailed proposal for consideration in due course.

Regards,

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