

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

QUESTION PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 8:2

FROM COUNCILLOR CJ. WILLIAMS

TO THE LEADER

CROSS COMMON ROAD BRIDGE

Since I brought this matter to the attention of the then Director twelve years ago and subsequently, it was decided that a new junction was the best option to replace the unsafe bridge, I and the residents of Dinas Powys have waited patiently for a safer junction, one of only two serving the southern half of the largest Village in the Vale. Householders have been flooded again in this time but unlike other areas of the Vale there is never any money in the budget to address this serious problem, so can you please tell me.

Are we insured against any third party claims in respect to damage caused by structural failures in view of the fact that an independent report by Capita Symonds in February 2013 stated that, 'the bridge deck should be replaced within the next 12 months'.

Is the junction dependent on planning permission being given for a housing development on Cross Common Road?

Has agreement been reached with the land owner for purchase of the land? If not, is there a deadline for purchase?

If unable to reach agreement on land purchase, will the scheme to replace the deck of the existing bridge be reinstated and when will this work actually start?

Has the new road layout been fully designed ready to tender or has it been tendered?

The existing bridge is structurally unsafe and should be closed. How can the council justify putting people at risk, when a structural report clearly stated the bridge should be closed by February 2014?