

County Council report to February 2026 Council

Education.

The financial position of many schools continues to be very difficult. Unfortunately, the response by the Vale council continues to be clothed in mystery. A recent scrutiny meeting failed to clarify how this funding crisis is to be resolved.

Road maintenance

We continue to report defective roads throughout Dinas Powys. The simple story is that there is inadequate funding available. The Vale has not allocated sufficient resources.

Pedestrian Cross Cardiff Road

The defective Pelican crossing at the junction with Chapel Row is being repaired.

Budget

The Vale has benefited from an additional £4 million in grant as a result of budget negotiations between Plaid Cymru and the Government. Further the financial situation concerning the pensions fund has improved resulting in £3 million in reduced costs. So, there is an extra £7 million available.

Replacement Local Development Plan

The meeting organised by the community council were well attended. The single consultation meeting organised by the Vale had mixed reviews. There was no opportunity to submit comments at the event.

Reservoir Wood off Pen y Turnpike

The March Planning Committee is set to discuss the bid to create a Tree Preservation Order for the wood.