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Dear Councillor Jones

Thank you for your letter following the Question session I attended on 10 February.

I address the issues whereby you have requested a response:

Public Question on Street Lighting

Fabian Way:

The highway eastwards from Wind Street as far as Port Tennant Road is illuminated, but from there to the boundary every third lamp has been turned off under the energy saving initiative. An inspection on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020 highlighted there are several outages over the entire length. It should be noted that due to the extensive traffic management required to work safely on Fabian Way and the associated costs of such, it is not feasible to attend to individual lamp failures.

Due to a previous road traffic accident along the section from the Tawe bridges to Port Tennant Road, the central reservation barrier is to be repaired, the work originally planned for early this financial year. This will require installation of traffic management and it is proposed to take advantage of this to undertake the lighting work, thereby saving costs. Unfortunately, the present circumstances have naturally, affected work programmes.

Upon completion, the traffic management will be relocated to the section east of Port Tennant Road and any outages replaced. In addition, there is an annual contract for structural testing of columns and this section is due for testing this year. The tender is being finalised and it is planned that the testing will be carried out under the same traffic management required for the lamp changes. Besides a considerable cost saving, should the testing reveal any columns or bracket arms to be dangerous, or classified as requiring replacement in the near future, they will be replaced at the time.

I would also like to take this opportunity to inform you that the detailed asset management report is nearing completion.



Progress with delivery of Councillors Highway Schemes:

As you will appreciate the Covid 19 crisis has necessarily placed a halt on the ability to recruit staff to supplement the work being undertaken by the Traffic Team, both in completing grant funded schemes and progressing Members Community Budget works. Nevertheless, considerable progress is still being made in developing schemes to meet members concerns.

At present officers are working to deliver schemes in Cockett, Cwmbwrla, Dunvant, Killay North, Killay South, Kingsbridge, Landore, Llangyfelach, Llansamlet, Loughor and Lower Loughor, Mynyddbach, Penderry, Penllergaer, Pontafddulais, Sketty, St Thomas, Townhill, Uplands and West Cross.

These schemes are at various stages of development and if Members have specific concern over the progress of any particular works then I will be happy to provide an update, alternatively Members can contact Alan Ferris directly who will advise them on progress.

Yours sincerely



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