

Councillor David Whittaker – Newport West ward

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Plans have now been approved for the completion of the last part of Carisbrooke Grange which will link Snowberry Road and Foxes Road by Sainsbury's. This development consists of 60 units. Also there is a much needed development for assisted living accommodation on the northern side of Lukely Brook in Newport, this development has also been approved and waiting for a start date. Residents of one block of flats have been evacuated from the building due to subsidence; I understand these residents will return to their home on completion of this work.

Traffic Orders have been issued to safe guard the children who attend Newport C of E Primary School; these orders cover Westminster Lane and Hazel Close. Other Traffic Orders have been issued relating to parking restriction on the estate.

Assistance continues for the residents of Kestral Way, due to a very large oak tree which is subject to a Tree Preservation Order; I was hoping that this matter will be satisfactorily concluded during the course of the year but the problem continues due to boundary ownership not being identified.

Flooding has been a problem for the top end of Purdy Road over 6 years, it was established the drain lines from the school were broken. Repairs were carried out, but the problem of flooding continued. The cause of the problem has been the run-off from Carisbrooke High School and the drains and gullies unable to cope in extreme weather condition because of their size. I am now hopeful that work will start on preventative measures in the near future.

Other matters I have been dealing with on behalf of resident are housing, Planning issues and disabilities.

I continue to tour the ward to ensure that it remains free from fly tipping.

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