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Clerk: Mrs Mererid Morgan, 16 Gelli Aur, Bronwydd, Carmarthenshire, SA33 6BE

8th April 2024

Dear Chairperson

Following receipt of a complaint from Llanpumsaint Community Council regarding Cllr Stephen Phillips I as Chairperson instigated an internal review.

The review has taken place and the following points have been noted: -

1. Mr S Phillips first raised his concerns regarding the Graig junction in 2017 with the local County Councillor Mr Irfon Jones who was also Community Councillor for both Bronwydd and Llanpumsaint Community Councils.
2. In 2018 Mr S Phillips started attending Bronwydd Community Council meetings as a guest. He did contact Llanpumsaint Community Council to raise awareness of his concerns. He continued to attend Bronwydd Community Council meetings raising various issues concerning the Graig junction.
3. In 2022 Mr Brian Davies was elected County Councillor who communicated with the highways department of Carmarthenshire County Council and arranged site visits. The Highways department decided that the junction should be changed with markings and the placement of bollards to slow down traffic and plans were drawn up.
4. In April 2022 Mr S Phillips was elected as a Community Councillor.
5. In the 2023 April meeting a statement was read out by Cllr S Phillips apologising to his fellow councillors, chairperson and clerk for the abuse and fallout that had occurred because of the changes to the layout of the junction. It was agreed that the discussions with the Highways department about the safety of the junction would now be the responsibility of Llanpumsaint Community Council.

Bronwydd Community Council feel that Cllr S Phillips' concerns since 2017 have always been with regards to the safety of all road users at the Graig junction. Bronwydd Community Council was fully aware of the situation and the interest but quite rightly considered it more in the interest of the community to help resolve the issue of the Graig junction. Unfortunately, Cllr S Phillips has received some very disturbing and threatening comments through the Llanpumsaint Facebook Group. Cllr S Phillips did apologise in the meeting in April 2023 as noted above. Cllr S Phillips has attended the Code of Conduct training in March 2024. Bronwydd Community Council will review their procedures/policies and training in future meetings.

I trust that the above answers your complaint and that we can look forward to working closer together as Community Councils.

Yours faithfully

CLlr Peter Giles
Chairperson Bronwydd Community Council