

REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HEULWEN D HULME – RHIWCYNON WARD

SEPTEMBER 2023

SAFER AT 20

From 17 September 2023, the default 20mph speed limit will come into force on roads where people live, work and play in Powys, and across Wales. Where you see streetlights, you should assume that the speed limit is 20mph – unless there are signs saying otherwise. The Welsh Government has changed the default speed limit to make streets safer and ensure our communities see:

- Fewer collisions and serious injuries
- More people walking and cycling
- Improved health and wellbeing

Deputy Minister for Climate Change, with responsibility for transport, Lee Waters said: “The evidence from around the world is very clear – reducing speed limits reduces collisions and saves lives. Slower speeds also help create a safer and more welcoming community, giving people the confidence to walk and cycle more, improving their health and wellbeing whilst protecting the environment.”

Clr. Jackie Charlton, Cabinet Portfolio Holder for a Greener Powys said “The new 20mph speed limit will also complement our increasing network of active travel routes across the county, where we encourage people to make short, local journeys on foot or bicycle, rather than the car. It is especially hoped that more Powys families will confidently choose to walk or cycle to and from school, knowing the roads will be safer.”

For more information about the 20mph speed limit, please visit: <https://www.gov.wales/safer-20mph-lets-look-out-each-other>

POWYS CENSUS 2021

Population of Powys 133,174 – in summary: age 0-4 down 9% since 2011, 15-64 down 5.9% and 65+ up 22.7%

UK Armed Forces – 5.1% of population have served in Armed Forces which is 4.5% higher than Welsh average.

Health – 79% are in very good or good health = up 0.1% since 2011.

Disability - 20.2% of population are registered disabled = down 1.1% since 2011

Unpaid Carer – 10.6% of population provide unpaid care = down 1.7% since 2011

Welsh Language – 16% of population age 3+ speak Welsh = down 2% since 2011

Education – 81.1% of population 16+ have a qualification = up 5.8% since 2011

Labour market – 57% of population 16+ are economically active = down 4.6% since 2011

Housing – 60,176 households in Powys = up 3.04% since 2011

PLANNING IN THE RHIWCYNON WARD

- ABERHAFESP PLANNING

- 23/0113/FUL – Erection of a general agricultural building on land at SY17 5NE
- 23/0269/FUL – Erection of Agric building to cover existing manure store – Bank Farm, Aberhafesp SY16 3LS
- 23/0740/FUL – Erection of a chalet, improved access and assoc drainage – Tyn Y Coed Field, BYF SY16 3JA
- 23/0636/FUL – Conversion of agricultural outbuilding into an annex – Bwlchcaehaidd, BYF SY16 3JB

- DWYRIW PLANNING

- BOC/20/0242 – Pavement at Plas Coch, Ardwyn, Dolwar Fach, Awel Las, Cefn Coch SY21 0AE
- 22/2217/FUL – Lateral extension to extraction area at Tan Y Foel Quarry, Cefn Coch, SY21 0AN
- 23/0830/CLE – Workshop at Oaklands, New Mills SY16 3NS
- 23/1062/FUL – Conversion & Alteration of dwelling & adj. barn to form a dwelling. New Vehicular access & installation of sewage treatment plant.
- 23/1171/OUT – Erection of Agricultural dwelling & installation of Septic tank and assoc. works – Argae field, New Mills SY16 3NG

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MANAFON PLANNING

- OPDE/22/0160 – Brynteg, New Mills, SY16 3NQ – case closed but re-opened.
- TREGYNON PLANNING
- 22/0760/RES – Reserved matters for land opposite Llys Cynon, Tregynon SY16 3EJ
- 23/1282/HH – Erection of fence at Old School Annex, Tregynon SY16 3EH
- 23/1296/HH – Rear extension for non self contained residential annex, Arlington, Tregynon SY16 3PG
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