



13th August 2020

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Dear Mr Dunne

I am writing on behalf of the Thurstan's Rise Residents Association in my capacity as an elected member of the committee.

As you will be aware, there is still much work to be done with regard to the completion of works on the estate, not only with regard to the general landscaping, but also roads, pavements and kerbs prior to adoption by the Council.

Whilst fully appreciating the on-going issues arising from the pandemic, and the inevitable delays that this has caused, we are very keen to understand your project timescales to complete all the outstanding works.

As an association, we are also hoping to organise a site meeting (or possibly a Zoom / MS Teams call) between the relevant personnel from the TRRA, your own organisation, Stonewater, Coleford Town Council and the Forest of Dean District Council (planning department) to discuss the very many outstanding issues that seem to have got 'stuck in the weeds'.

Some of these include:

1. Resolution with regard to the hedge height (and other issues) alongside the farm track on the north side of the development between Inwood Drive and Owen Farm.
2. Resolution with regard to the legal boundary issues to the west side of the development, involving the drainage trench and hedges between the gardens of properties in Cadora Way and the farmer's field behind them.

3. Completion of sections of the boundary fencing to the north of the development, behind the properties in Inwood drive.
4. Maintenance and drainage issues with regard to some of the Stonewater property.
5. Green Square maintenance of public areas:
 - a. Anticipated date for the adoption of the site by Green Square?
 - b. Who will manage this contract?
 - c. Can the maintenance company be changed?
6. Poor overall finish to Thurstan's Rise (affecting re-sale of properties):
 - a. Tarmac issues with regard to the road – patched and sinking in some areas
 - b. Mismatched and patched pavements
 - c. Lack of any 'character features' apart from the two trees and tree guards in Blakes Way
7. Missing or incomplete landscaping, as per latest Golby + Luck landscape drawings:
 - GL1153 04A, dated 16/07/2019
 - GL1153 05B, dated 19/06/2019
 - GL1153 06A, dated 16/06/2019

Specifically (and following the planning approval on 13th February 2020) **exact** timescales need to be confirmed to complete:

- a. Within the public open space - meadow mixture wild flowers (11 varieties), meadow grasses (4 varieties), pond edge wild flowers (18 varieties), pond edge grasses (7 varieties), trees (24 number) and reinstatement of the plants and bushes on top of the gabion wall (550 number) – many of which have been destroyed by your mowing contractor.
- b. Around the electricity substation and adjacent parking area - hedging (47 plants) and shrubs (26 plants), as per plan.
- c. Knee rail section at the bottom of Inwood Drive - removed when the bollards were installed.
- d. Rebuilding of the play park on the south side of Blakes Way.
- e. Cycle chicane and height adjustment on pedestrian link to Oakfields.

By bringing together all the relevant parties, the TRRA hopes to confirm precise timescales for all the works, whilst also resolving many of the other outstanding issues. We have already approached Coleford Town Council and they have offered to facilitate the meeting.

In the first instance, please can you confirm your willingness to engage in this process and also nominate the most appropriate DWH director who will act as your point of contact going forwards.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Simon Oldroyd". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Simon Oldroyd
TRRA Committee Member