

**Part 2: Addressing the parts of the Davies Bros. objections to the Village Green application which would appear to be unconnected with the application, by paragraph.**

**Paragraph 1.**

*We are objecting to Mr. Amey planning application for a village green at Hillcrest. There is a play area and field at the village hall at Glanrhyd, Caersws also has a play area opposite the buck hotel (2 miles). Newtown also has a large field and park on the Aberhafesp road (dolerew).*

Irrelevant since this application is based on the fact that the Hillcrest Green has been used by the residents and their children for well in excess of 20 years "as of right" which is the reason that this application is valid.

For the record there is no play area at Glanrhyd as the old School next to the Community Centre has been sold and is private property. Even if this was available it is 1.1 miles from Hillcrest most of it along the B4568, not a road for young children to use. The B4568 between Newtown and Caersws is not blessed with a pedestrian footway and has long stretches with no verges. It often carries agricultural traffic and heavy goods vehicles. There are indeed parks at Caersws and Newtown, but these are both at least 3 miles from Hillcrest (not 2 miles as claimed) along the B4568.

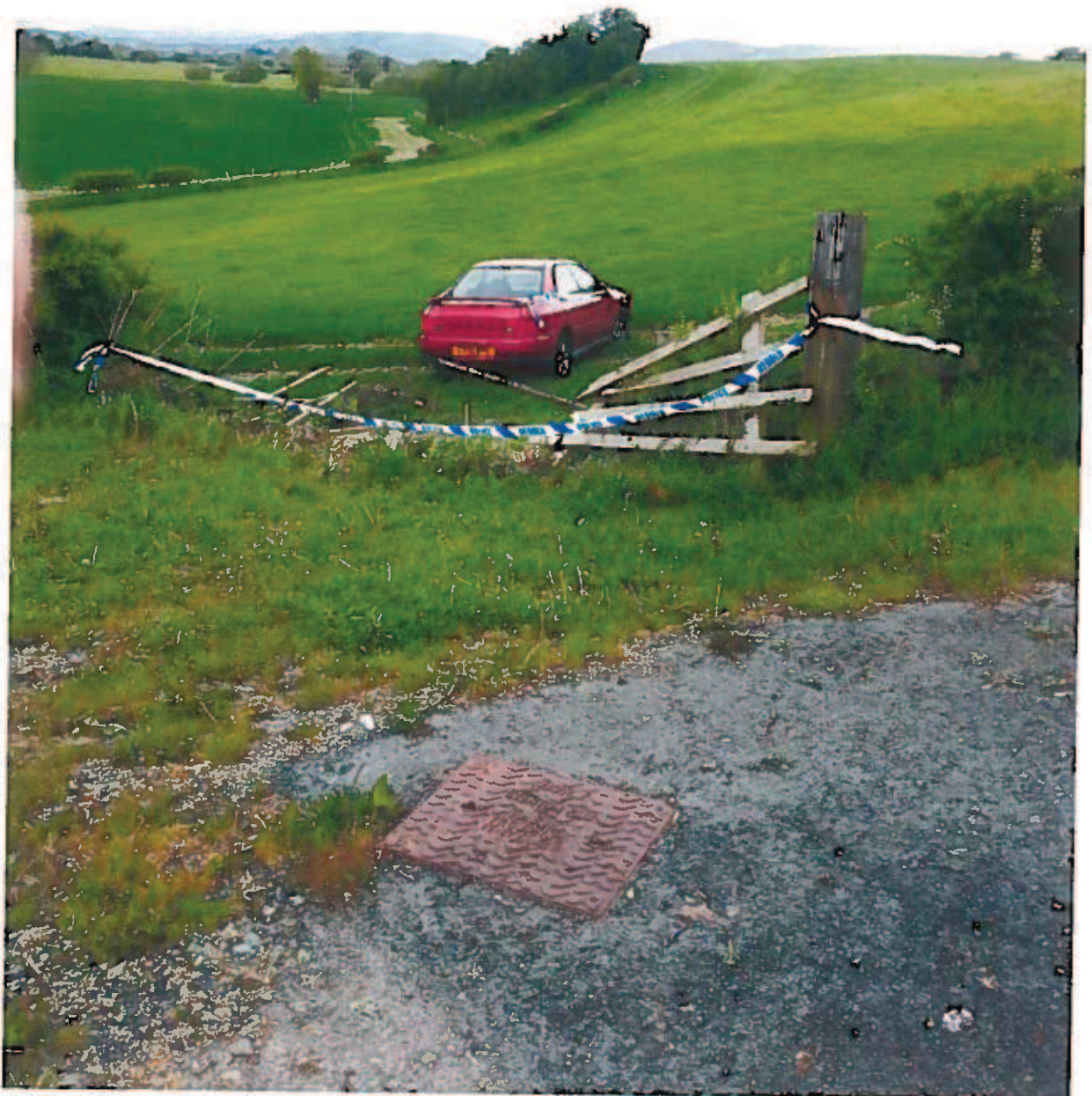
It is ridiculous to propose that parents would encourage their young children to travel up to 3 miles along a dangerous road without any pavement after school to kick a ball about while their tea is being prepared at home. In all the time I've lived here I've never known ANY parent encourage their child to travel along the B4568 by foot or bicycle to Glanrhyd, Caersws, or Newtown to play in preference to walking a few metres from their home to a safe and overlooked play area.

Pictures on the next page show the traffic dangers on this section of the B4568

The following photograph shows where an out-of-control vehicle broke through the hedge bordering the Davies Bros. sewer plant in May 2015.



The vehicle came to rest on the other side of the sewer plant.



Another vehicle left the road just a few metres to the east of the same corner in January 2017 leaving this damage.



Part of the traffic tailback caused by that accident, showing the traffic volume through the village.



**Paragraph 2.**

*Residents from Hillcrest have thrown rubbish the sewer plant for the past twenty five years they then burn and complain to the PCC. We then have to pay to have it removed. A local farmer complained about plastic blown onto our shared fence as this was a danger to his livestock.*

Irrelevant since no-one is applying for the sewer plant to become a Village Green. It is not part of the estate and has never been used for recreational activities.

This photo from a 2008 court case shows the beautifully maintained sewer plant, with some garden waste left by hillcrest residents, and non-residents.



The real threat to livestock was actually from the pools of effluent that the sewer plant created in the adjoining field used by grazing animals. Photos on the next page show these effluent pools and are taken from the same 2008 court case concerning the sewer, and disputes over the Davies Bros. sewer charges. It was this pollution that was the reason further Hillcrest development was stopped.

**Paragraph 3.**

*We feel Mr Amey would continue to use these plots in the same way. We have never allowed anyone to use any of these plots, the grass was cut once a year until 2007. Since then we cut the grass with tractor mower every two weeks.*

Pure fantasy and possibly libelous! Decades ago I purchased a shredder from Charlie's Stores in Newtown so that I could shred my hedge cuttings and put them out for the dustman. Nowadays I take my garden waste to the recycling areas provided in the main Newtown car park. Please see other residents statements regarding the Davies Bros. claim that they never allowed anyone to use any of these plots.

**Paragraph 4.**

*We started to develop in 1965, and were told by planning officer Mike Backhouse that all the field must be built on. He was not going to allow only roadside development.*

If the Davies Bros business was established in 1973 it is difficult to see how they started to develop in 1965. I also think that trying to justify unwanted modern development based on a statement from somebody made over half a century ago is of no relevance in this century. Only 5 of the properties on Hillcrest border the B4568 so clearly this estate has not been limited to roadside development.

**Paragraph 5.**

*GPP & DF Davies moved to Aberhafesp in 1951, DF Davies still lives there. A building business was started in 1961 by an older brother, we bought him out in 1973. Employed people and trained dozens of apprentices. We have paid business rates since 1961 on our workshop.*

Completely irrelevant to this Village Green application.

**Paragraph 6.**

*In 1994 we sold plot 16 with a bungalow but Environmental health stepped in and stopped us, we had also sold plot 15 and we had to stop both of these projects. In the past we have had help from Emlyn Hooson, Lembic Opec regarding this development which has been on hold for twenty three years. No wonder the country needs two million homes.*

As previously mentioned the reason that their development was stopped 23 years ago is because they completely failed to address the sewage problems that they created in the Redhouse Farm field. I'm not sure who Lembic Opec is, but I know that Lembit Opik initially got involved after my neighbour's son Peter Blanchard wrote to Mr. Opik following Frank Davies attempt to intimidate her into paying a sewage bill she felt was unjustified. Copy included.



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